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DEATH OF THE POPE.

HISTORIC FUNERAL RITUAL.

IMPRESSIVE SCENES AT THE VATICAN.

Rome, January 22.
Immediately after the Pope's death (reported in our earlier cables) Cardinal Gasparri, the papal secretary of state, took charge of affairs in the capacity of the Cardinal who carries on affairs of papacy on the demise of a pope. All persons were requested to leave the death chamber which the noble guards occupied. Seals were placed on the doors of the Pope's library and writing room. Cardinal Gasparri also officially informed foreign governments and telephoned the Premier. Signor Boroni immediately instructed government offices to halloo flags. This is the first time in history that such an order has been given.

The death was announced to the public early in the morning by the solemn pealing of bells by Rome's four hundred churches. The streets were full of people discussing the news. Special editions of the newspapers were published containing portraits and memoirs, also special tributes to the late Pope's work in the war.

A VOICE THAT IS STILL.

Rome, January 22.
Preparations were immediately begun for the funeral and historic ceremonies connected with the death of the Pope, one of the great of which is an assembly of cardinals to elect the dead pontiff by name and when no answer is given a cardinal removes the fisherman's ring, the symbol of papal authority which was broken by Cardinal Camerlengo and remade for the next pope. The elaborate historical ritual of preparing the dead pope for his lying in state at St. Peter's prior to burial follows. Many favour the election of Cardinal Gasparri as pope, although the election of a dead pope's secretary of state is almost unheard of.

Rome, January 22.
The body of the Pope was laid out dressed in a white cassock with hands resting on the chest and rosary beads intertwined among the fingers. The remains were transferred to the throne room where they lie in state. The first meeting of the Sacred College at which all the cardinals at present in Rome attended was held in the morning in connection with burial and preparation of conclave for the election of a successor. The Camera Apostolica also met to discuss the administration of Church property whilst the papal throne remained vacant. Cardinal Gasparri's functions as secretary of state have now ceased.

B RQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

COMING SALVAGE MEASURE.

Paris, January 22.
Le Journal declares that in agreement with the Government, M. Lesteyris, Minister of Finance, will introduce at the beginning of the week a measure for saving the Banque Industrielle de Chine. This measure will be practically the same as that introduced by the previous Cabinet.

IRISH WORLD CONFERENCE.

TWENTY NATIONS REPRESENTED.

Paris, January 22.
Twenty countries, including Britain, the Dominions, the United States, and China are represented at the Irish world congress opening here on January 23.

INDIAN TARIFF COMMISSION.

Calcutta, January 21.
Giving evidence before the Indian Tariff Commission, the Chairman of the Indian Tea Commission favoured limited imperial preference and strongly recommended abolition of the export duty on tea.

SHIPPING.

FAR EASTERN FREIGHT CONFERENCES.

RATE WAR INTENSIFIES.

Not a few Freight Conferences now find themselves moribund as the freight war intensifies. The Calcutta Conference, challenged by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, has already carried out a third reduction of freight rates to retain its customers, while the O.S.K. is trying to obtain new customers, giving lower rates than those of the Conference. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha, with the intention, probably of retaliating on the O.S.K. for having invaded the Calcutta line, has announced its intention from the Java Conference, the Bombay line, leaving Japan at the end of December

acting independently of the Conference. The Java-China Japan Line has also cut off connections with the Conference. The O.S.K. has dispatched its representatives to the capital to argue with the N.Y.K., but it is very doubtful whether it can bring the Conference to life again. The North American Conference, which has no rebate system, and which has been weak from the beginning, has suffered incessant agitation, and is now merely in nominal existence. Some of the participants have tried to enforce the payment of guarantees as to prevent free action, but this is not likely to come to anything. The European Homeward Conference and the Bombay Conference hold their own, however. In the European Homeward Conference, British shipping companies, acting in co-operation, play the central part. The other companies being all newcomers. The Bombay Conference

SOUTH AFRICAN STRIKE DEADLOCK.

COLOUR BAR QUESTION.

NATIONALIST ATTACK ON SMUTS REGIME?

Johannesburg, January 22.
The conference up to the present has been fruitless. Only two thousand men, mostly Dutch, were present at the mass meeting which passed a resolution urging a general sympathetic strike and appealing for a government which would uphold the white standard in South Africa.

Sir Abe Bailey, in a vigorous speech to the West Rand strike committee, suggested that Nationalist political leaders were using the miners for their own political purposes with the object of causing the downfall of the Smuts government.

Sir Evelyn Wallers, President of the Chamber of Mines interviewed by Reuter, emphatically denied that the gold industry proposed to abolish the colour bar. He declared that he desired to see the gold industry preserved on the largest possible scale and provide a maximum field of employment for whites.

Nearly 20,000 natives have now been repatriated. This means unemployment for over 2,000 whites.

PRINCE'S HEARTY WELCOME.

MYSTIC TIGER AND BISON HUNT.

London, January 22.
The Prince of Wales completed half his Indian tour on January 17 when he left Madras, amid a crescendo of enthusiasm, for Bangalore on the first stage of his trek through Central India into the heart of Kashmir.

The Prince received an enthusiastic welcome at Bangalore where he was heartily cheered by large crowds. He was given an equally striking reception at Mysore where 50,000 people flocked into the city from the surrounding country to see him.

The Prince is spending four days hunting tiger and bison at Mysore.

CHINA'S FOREIGN CONTRACTS.

WASHINGTON AGREEMENT QUALIFIED.

Washington, January 22.
Perusal of the text of the agreement shows that the section requiring reports to be made to the Secretariat General of the Conference of commitments and contracts etc. by China with nationals of the participating powers, contains a qualifying clause, "as far as possible," thus meeting the Japanese delegates' objection. Another provision invites the governments not represented at the conference to adhere to the agreement.

MARSHAL PETAIN'S NEW POST.

Marshal Petain has been appointed General Inspector of the French Army.—Havas.

CHINA AND PERSIA.

Paris, January 18.
The Persian Government has sent to the League of Nations Secretary at Geneva a copy for recording purposes of the Persian and Chinese treaty of friendship signed at Rome in January of 1920.—Havas.

NORTHELIFFE AT AGRA.

Bombay, January 13.
Lord Northcliffe has arrived here from Agra. He is the guest of the Governor, Sir George Lloyd.

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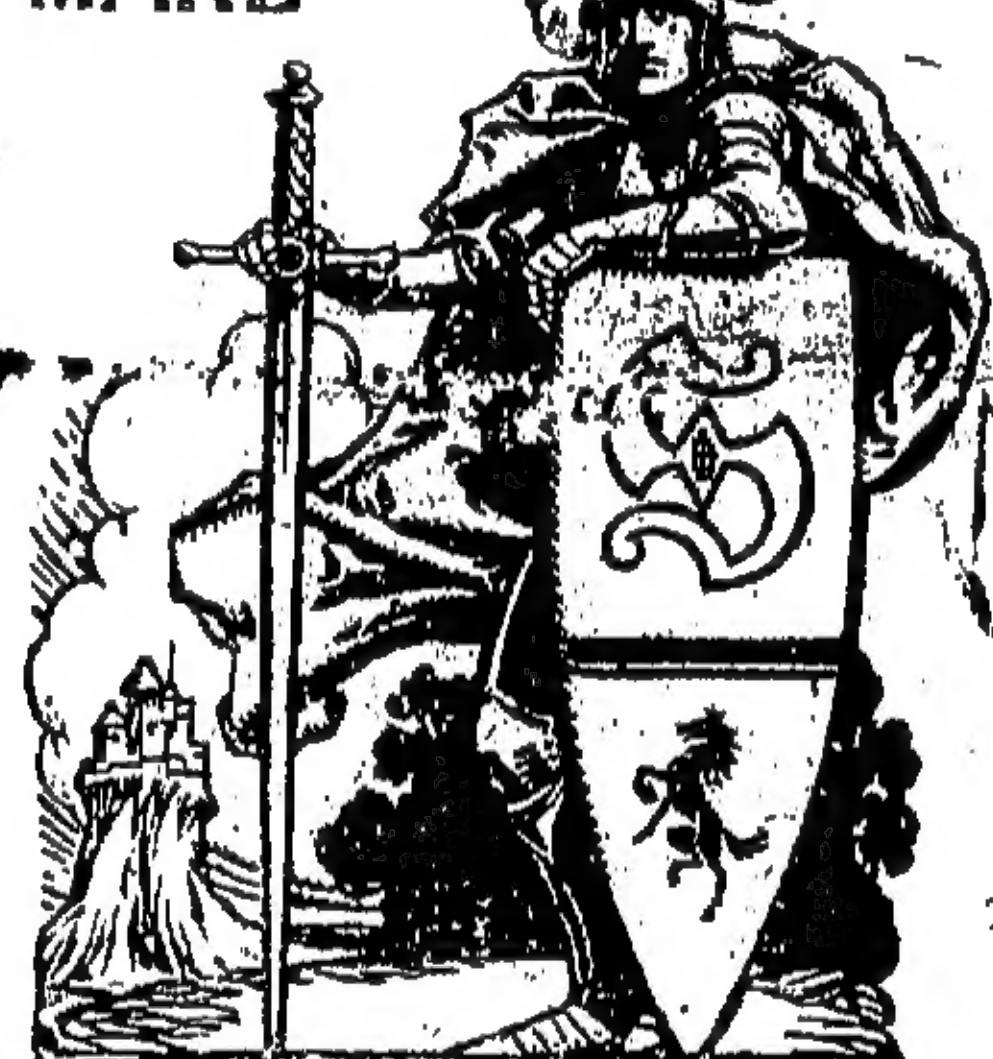
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(Ho Tung) Lo Tung-fan F. 2a, (Lee
Hy-sen) Hu Wa-to F. 2a, (Ho Kam
tong) Ip Shi-hung C. 2a, (Ho Fook)
Ho Ka-ming F. 3a, (Junior Bellios)
Wong Man-ku C. 3a, (Junior Morrison)
Lam On-hang 4a, (Alfred May)
Robert Ho Tung 4a, (Junior
Stewart) Chau Kwong-yiu 4b,
(A. W. Grant) Mak Ka-hung 5a,
(Ho Wing) Chu Yuen-hem 5a, (Ho
lu) Wei Tok 5a, (Ho Kwong) Pun
Tsoi-ching 6b, (Daisy) Siu Pui-wang
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matics (C.I.I)) Cheung Ping-yung,
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Prize (C.I.I)) Lo Tung-fan, (Arculi
Composition Prize (C.I.I)) Wong
Man-fu, (Rumjahn Literature Prize
(C.I.)) Lu Tak-cheuk, (Special Tens-
ation E. to C.) Pun Shiu-pang,
(Special Translation C. to E.) U Shu
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History:—(Matriculation Class) Lu
Tak-cheuk; (Full 2a) Lo Tung-fan,
(Full 2b) Wong Ping-man, (Com. 2a)
M. Farid, (Full 3a) Yau Fung-hon,
(Full 3b) Chu Sik-ling.
Composition:—(Matriculation
Class) Pun Shiu-lun, (Full 2a) Chu
Yui-hing, (Full 2b) Cheng Kin-cho,
(Com. 2a) Yau Kam-sing, (Full 3a)
Ho Ka-ming, (Full 3b) Chu Sik-ling,
(Com. 3a) Chau Wa-shang, (Com. 3b)
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lok (2), Yung Jui-ties (2), Hu Wa-to
(2), Yung Ping-yung (2).

UNIVERSITY HONOURS (2).

Matriculation:—1. Lu Tak-cheuk,
Cheung Wai-fung.

UNIVERSITY DISTINCTIONS (29).

Junior:—(Full 2A) Lo Tung-fan
(Eng. Chi. Arith. Maths. Geog.), Hu
Wa-yun (Eng. Arith. Maths.), Lam
Woon-ki (Arith.), Fung Jui-hee (Arith.
Maths.), Ho Wai-fan (Arith. Maths.),
Leung Wing-ching (Arith. Chi.), Hu
Wa-to (Arith. Maths.), Leung Fung-ki
(Arith. Maths.), Au Yung-kwan
(Arith.), Li Chung-lok (Arith. Chi.),
(Full 2B) Chan Yau-kei (Chi.),
Cheung Leung-wing (Chi.), Sum Yok-
sing (Chi.), Tsong Ping-yang (Arith.
Maths.).
(Com. 2A) In Se-hung (Arith.),
Yung Lam-kwan (Arith.).

UNIVERSITY CERTIFICATES.

Matriculation (14) 1. Lu Tak-cheuk,
2. Cheung Wai-fung, 3. Pun Shiu-lun,
4. O Yau-sheung, 5. Lau Lai-sang, 6.
Chan Cheuk-wa, 7. Lam Choi-chiu, 8.
Hung Chi-po, 9. Fung Yui-shiu, 10.
Wong Hong-kwok, 11. Pun Shiu-pun,
12. Leung Cheung-ling, 13. J. E.
Spradbery, 14. J. J. Edgar.
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Tsiu Hung-kce (F. 2a), 4. Cho Yui-
hing (F. 2a), 5. Sung Ying-lun (F. 2a),
6. Chan Wang-tat (F. 2a), 7. U. Shun
pui (F. 2a), 8. Lam Woon-ki (F. 2a),
9. Fung Jui-hee (F. 2a), 10. Chan Ye-
chun (F. 2a), 11. U. Shui-sham (F.
2a), 12. Wong Pui-kwong (F. 2a), 13.
Li Wing-kwong (F. 2a), 14. Ho Wai-
fan (F. 2a), 15. Leung Wing-ching (F. 2a),
16. Hu Wa-to (F. 2a), 17. Ho
Shai-cheung (F. 2a), 18. Fok Pak-
ui (F. 2a), 19. Leung Fung-ki (F. 2a),
20. Au Yung-kwan (F. 2a), 21.
Li Chung-lok (F. 2a), 22. Li
Ku-yu (F. 2a), 23. Chan Yau-kei
(F. 2b), 24. Tam Ping-wa (F. 2b),
25. Cheung Leung-wing (F. 2b), 26.
Cheng Cheung-wa (F. 2b), 27. Ngan
Keng-ha (F. 2b), 28. Tong Pui-lum
(F. 2b), 29. Sum-Yok-sing (F. 2b),
30. Mak Kam-chuen (F. 2b), 31.
Kwok Cheuk-lun (F. 2b), 32. Tang
Hit-wai (F. 2b), 33. Tang Ping-
yang (F. 2b), 34. Cheng Kin-cho
(F. 2b), 35. Fok Yuen-cheung (F. 2b),
36. Wong Hung-mi (F. 2b), 37.
Kwong Cheuk-ming (F. 2b), 38. Wong
Ping-man (F. 2b), 39. W. Hong Sing
(F. 2b), 40. Choi King-wan (F. 2b),
41. Chow Yat-ching (C. II), 42. Ip
Se-hung (C. II), 43. Cheung Shun
(C. II), 44. Yau Kam-shing (C. II),
45. Yung Lam-kwan (C. II), 46.
Chan Man-sing (C. II), 47. M. U.
Razack (C. II), 48. M. Farid 49. E.
Nishida (C. II).

CLASS PRIZES (ENGLISH).
Matric:—1. O Yau-sheung, 2. Pun
Shiu-pang.
Full 2a:—1. Hu Wa-yun, 2. Li
Chung-lok.

Full 2b:—1. Sheng Ping-yung,

2. Wm. Hong Sing.
Com. 2a:—1. Cheung Shun, 2. Chan
Man-shing.

Full 3a:—1. Ching Hing-chow, 2.

Leung See-lap.
Full 3b:—1. Sia Tak-ki, 2. Wong
Tsiu-cho.

Com. 3a:—1. Chan Yik-hi, 2. Lui

Tse-shat.
Com. 3b:—1. A. H. Madar, 2. Chan
Kam-ming.

Com. 3c:—1. Chan Kun-in, 2.

Leung Ping-kwan, 4a:—1. Chan
Sik-ping, 2. Lo Hok-kai, 4b:—1.
Chan Yiu-pui, 2. Chan Yik-kay.

5a:—1. Tong Wai-lit, 2. Leung

Yung-keng, 5b:—1. Lo Lok-pun,
2. Wong Ka-tsun, 6a:—1. Sung
Ying-wa, 2. Frank Grose, 6b:—1.
Leung Shiu-chung, Cheng Sze-chung,

7:—1. Kwong Sik-leung, 2. Pun Yan-
cheong, 8a:—Ng Yuk-kwan, 2. Wei
Hi, 8b:—1. Tai Hon-fan, 2. Wong
Wing-hung.

CLASS PRIZES (VERNACULAR.)

Matric:—1. O Yau-sheung, 2.
Leung Cheung-ling.

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Wing-ching.
Full 2b:—1. Sam Yuk-sing, 2.
Chan Yau-kei.

Com. 2a:—1. Yau Kam-sing, 2.

Cheung Shun.
Full 3a:—1. Li Yan-wa, 2. U
Shut-hing.

Full 3b:—1. Chu Sik-ling, 2. Wu

Mi-tsoi.
Com. 3a:—1. Lui Tze-shat, 2.
Lai Ping-kwan.

Com. 3b:—1. Tang Kam-lun,

2. Cheung Ping-man.
Com. 3c:—1. Li Kwok-tsun, 2.
Cheung Shing-to.

4a:—1. Li Yau-to, 2. Chan Tung-

ting.
4b:—1. Chan Yiu-pui, 2. Chan
Hon-wing.

5a:—1. Leung Yung-keng, 2. Chan

Ping-to.
5b:—1. Yu Yau-fak, 2. Lo Lok-
pon.

6a:—1. Yu Ming-ping, 2. Tang

Man-ku.
6b:—1. Cheng Sze-tung, 2. Leung
Lap-chiu.

7:—1. Chau Yat-lun, 2. Kwong

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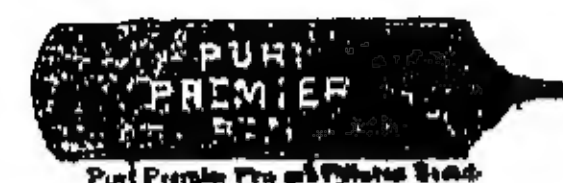
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LARRE—On December 12th at "Triton", Pettystown, Co. Meath, Ireland, to Mr. and Mrs. F.W.G. Clark a daughter. Both well.

ALEXANDER—Dec. 17, at 100 Queen's Gate, to the wife of Wilfred A. Alexander—daughter.

MARRIAGES.

STANLEY—MACDONALD.—Dec. 17, at St. Ethelburga, H. C. Stanley, son of late C. H. Stanley Oakwood Hall, Rotherham, to Ivy Louise, daughter of late Hon. Sir C. M. MacDonald and Lady MacDonald, Royal Cottage, Kew.

THORNE—OGILVIE.—Dec. 14, at Brompton Church, Chanton Thorne, Commissioner, Chinese Customs Service, to Nancy Stuart, only child of late Col. Ogilvie, R.A. and Mrs. Ogilvie, of 12, Alexander Square, S.W.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JAN. 23, 1922.

OF OPINIONS IN GENERAL AND OF ONE IN PARTICULAR.

Of opinions it should be said that the chief reason for tolerating them more than we do is their absolute unimportance. All of them save purely hypothetical exceptions are phenomena of mind bombarding in vacuity. It is a thing to be believed that some men have lived for opinions who would not have lived for them.

opinions, the expression of which, either in frank fullness or in discreet modification, may fortuitously serve the double purpose of self expression and ladder filling. But as time is required for cheese-moulds to grow, so no man naturally bubbles with so many opinions as the aforesaid hirelings are compelled to produce. This consideration entitles them to lenience in judgement, but it is no reason why their printed opinions should ever be approached with respect. It is doubtful if any opinion is ever really entitled to that. Opinions emanating from ignorance are contemptible. Opinions coloured by personal emotions, such as spite, envy, malice, are to be deplored. Two minutes meditation by the reader at this point, directed to contemplation of the general and typical quality of opinions, should produce the opinion that the occasion for regarding opinions seriously must be scarce indeed. Let us then introduce the idea of forced opinions, of opinions that must be produced somehow, by intensive culture of this soil, by brain-flogging, by necessity of insistent demand, merely to fill space in periodical prints, and we shall have suggested the last word in this connection. We have in mind chiefly the printed opinions of books that are called "reviews," a class of literature we are minded never again to read, and the particular instance of opinion that has given us this boating appears in the latest number of Squire's Mercury, which is a monthly parasite on literature. Therein some one using the initials "E. S." as a pen-name, says of Cabell's "Jurgen" that it is "a rambling narrative, poor and mild in invention devoid of poetic imagination, Wardour Street, relieved by cheap flippancy, in its style, and, in its audacity, sniggering, sly, and disagreeable." As in our opinion every detail of that opinion is exactly inapt and contrary to fact, thereby arousing indignation, we have taken this way of relieving and repressing our emotion, "killing two birds with one stone." We have killed our undesirable emotion by remembering the contemptibility of all opinions, including our own. We have contributed our measure of opinionative literature for the day. We may not claim to have killed that reviewer's lie, for the sufficient reason that it was born dead.

What's Neutrality?

At the beginning of the strike, the Engineers' and Coast Officers' Guilds published an official letter announcing their neutrality. Since then many of the members have been yearning for a definition of neutrality. What is it? Is an officer who orders the Union delegates off his ship neutral? Is a captain who steers his own ship down the middle of the harbour neutral? It is not a definition to be given offhand, and we are not surprised that a body of ship's officers should have discussed it for over two hours last week without coming to a decision.

Lonely Hongkong.

The ex-Active Service Men's Association is fortunate to have secured so forceful a personality as the University Registrar for its Vice-President. The irascible geniality with which Mr. Teesdale Mackintosh carried out the job of Chairman at Saturday night's smoker won for him the highest title in the ex-servicemen's gift—that of "a good fellow." In a pertinent speech towards the end of the function he showed them what was really in their minds when they got together to form their Association. His clarion call to a crusade against the "spirit of loneliness" which men feel in Hongkong will awake responsive chords in the hearts of many who are outside the ranks of the ex-servicemen. If the new Association can indeed, as Mr. Mackintosh urged, "get into Hongkong that spirit of comradeship and fellowship which is somehow strangely lacking" it will not have been born in vain.

Fie!

"Nothing to do, nowhere to go!" Not the bitter cry of a snowbound ermine this, but the desolate wail of an unhappy Hongkong youth. The little round of local pleasures seemed or exhausted according to bent or mood, he is bored—bored, as he would phrase it, to tears. Nothing to do, nowhere to go, he mopes or drooves, moodily content to bemoan his unhappy lot without so much as bestirring himself to seek his way out of his life. He waits for the day of his coming to land him into romantic valleys, to lead him to exhilarating pinnales. And still he tarries, little knowing

"Tis sweet to him, who all the week Through city crowds must push his way,
"To stroll alone through fields and woods,
And hallow thus the Sabbath day."

Does our young dilettante imago, does he really believe, since he'll not smile, the bird its thrilling pipe has stilled, the piping brook its magic music ended, the whispering wind its soft cadence lost, or the surging breaker its eternal question solved? "Nothing to do, nowhere to go," forsooth! Such a man deserves his fate, truly.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One case of plague, Chinese, was reported on Saturday.

Mr. W. Dickinson has qualified at the Harbour Office as first mate (s.s.) and Mr. W. E. S. Turney as second mate.

Knocked down by motor car No. 13 in Queen's Road West early this morning a Chinese youth was removed to hospital.

Sir George Joseph Hamilton Evans, M.C.B., R.A.M.C., at one time Senior Medical Officer in China, left estate of the gross value of \$3,580.

"Respectfully" is informed that the Editor considers no good purpose would be served by publishing his letter on "Christianity and Chinese."

Thirty tons of coal (valued at \$540) were stolen from a Hunghong coal yard on Friday last. Sampan are believed to have been used to remove the coal from the yard which is in an isolated position on the water front.

A chance mistake—a wrong street number—leads to strange and surprising events in "Through the Wrong Door," the notable film feature showing at the Kowloon Theatre this evening. Madge Kennedy in the leading role fairly excels herself.

During the week-end capacity houses laughed, and laughed again at the Coronet Theatre's splendid comedy programme showing again this evening. The delightful farce "Down on the Farm" and the clever burlesque "Perfectly French Flannigan" were both simply—well, simply delicious!

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. will give a short address on "The Washington Conference" to the Reading Circle of the Helena May Institute, on Thursday morning next, January 26th. The Address will begin—for this time only—at 11 a.m. instead of at the usual hour 1.30 a.m.

A Chinese charged before Magistrate Dinsell on Saturday with uttering nine 20 cent counterfeit coins at the British Chinese Tobacco shop No. 12, Ice House Street, and with being in possession of 15 counterfeit coins, was sentenced to three months' hard labour. He had a previous conviction for a similar offence.

What is this new secret society, "M.M.A.J.A.," that local men are whispering about? The China Mail has its best sleuth-at work, but so far has failed to learn anything. The initiated pronounce it "Mma ja," with a slight stammer, and some of them wear a narrow blue ribbon with the mysterious initials printed on it. What's the game?

The Taikeo Bowling Green, home of Colonial champions, scene of so many keen contests, has seen its last season. Builders are already encroaching on it. What look like workmen's tenements are going up. But this does not mean that the Taikeo men will abandon a game for which they have shown such remarkable aptitude. Simultaneously, on the plateau in front of Taikeo Terrace, a new green is taking shape. It should be a good one, full sized, well drained. It is a well favoured spot—fit for Drakes to finish the game on.

THE QUINTS.

"The Quints" short season came to an end on Saturday night when, to a crowded house, they submitted a pot pourri of the items which have caused Hongkong literally to rock with laughter. Messrs Salisbury and Fane were in great form and secured for the order of the evening, the entertainment finishing at midnight.

STRAIGHT AT IT.

There is no room for beating around the bush. We might as well out with it first as last. We want you to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the next time you have a cough or cold. There is no reason so far as we are concerned why you should not do so. This preparation is the most reliable ever for curing a cold, whooping cough, and people everywhere speak of it in the highest terms of praise. It is for sale by all chemists and druggists.

EX-ACTIVE SERVICEMEN.

A CHEERY "SMOKER."

MR. TEESDALE MACKINTOSH AND THE LONELINESS OF HONGKONG.

A sea of lounge suits and uniforms with one lone dinner jacket islanded in the midst of it reflected the free and easy spirit of conviviality at the cheery little smoke concert which the recently formed ex Active Service Men's Association held in St. Andrew's Hall on Saturday night. An effective and appropriate touch about the decorative scheme, which otherwise consisted chiefly of bunting and greenery, was the disposition about the room of finger posts pointing the way to such never to be forgotten localities as Armentieres and Villers Bretonneux. An "estaminet" at one end of the room was labelled "vins et spiritueux"—and imaginative reminiscence was expected to do the rest. There was no smiling Suzette behind the counter, unfortunately, but the ubiquitous efficiency of the Hongkong Hotel boys went a long way towards making up for that defect.

Mr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh, one of the Association's Vice Presidents made an admirable chairman and the speech he made towards the end of the proceedings was counted amongst the best items of the evening's programme. Harmonious offerings by the Victoria Quartette (Messrs. Murphy, Best, Middleton and Hayward) were warmly applauded and Mr. J. S. Pearson (of Hawthorne and Pearson) scored well with his monologues and clever imitations. Others who contributed were Messrs. Haggart, Batten, H. Wilson, E. T. Crocker, Gordon, Potter and Warbury. Just before the programme ended Mr. R. B. Salisbury of "The Quints," popped across from the Theatre with Miss Dorothy James and sang a couple of capital songs which were very thoroughly appreciated. Mr. Boves Smith, in addition to accompanying several of the singers, led at the piano the singing of a number of rousing choruses as well known as they were vociferously rendered.

The Chairman's was the only speech of the evening and he hit the mark so well with it that more than once he had to wait for the applause to subside before he could go on. Mr. Mackintosh began by expressing regret for the unavoidable absence of Lieutenant Mallinson V.C., the President of the Association. He thanked the performers for all they had done and said he wished especially to thank the Secretary (Mr. E. J. Ollerton) whose energetic work had made the function possible.

There were two things that Mr. Mackintosh wanted particularly to say. During the last fortnight he had continually been asked by all sorts of people to explain the objects of this Association. He must frankly admit that it had been his misfortune always to have to earn his bread on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock when the rest of the association were apparently free to hold their meetings. He must therefore apologise for not having been able to follow fully all that had been said and done during the formation of the Association.

"Hongkong" he said, "has struck me as being an extraordinarily lonely place and we do want to get into Hongkong that spirit of fellowship and comradeship that is somehow strangely lacking (Applause). He believed that there was only one way to destroy that loneliness and that was for all of them to join up in the Association. He asked them to join up and to show the Colony that they were there to do away with "that spirit of splendid isolation" that appeared to rule in the Colony. He believed that if they could have something of this sort every Saturday night it would go far towards dissipating the spirit of loneliness which he, in common with the rest of them, suffered from here.

Another reason why he hoped they would all join up was that they might welcome, wherever they could, those who were still serving. It was up to them to be able to welcome the troops here and to show that they had not altogether forgotten the lessons which they had learned a few years ago (applause). From a humorous reference to "my song about the lady from Armentieres" Mr. Mackintosh went on to point out that those who had not "been there" would never be able to understand why it was they wanted to get together and sing about such things. But he urged those who did understand and know to get together with the firm intention of doing away with the spirit of loneliness which came over them at times 10,000 miles away from Blighty and to welcome those men who were still serving. This did seem to him to be the real object of this Association.

"This evening upon me more and more," concluded Mr. Mackintosh, "there is an enormous number of men in this Colony who have had just the same experiences as we have and who need welcome, anything about them. We do not mind them, and

OUR FOREIGN EXPORT.

BRITISH TRADE HANDICAPS IN CHINA.

At a time when many British Engineers find difficulty in obtaining orders, it might not be out of place to consider what means, if any, could be devised to put the foreign export trade on a par with our competitor, here in China, in at least some respects, which so far as we are aware, have not been considered by those who govern us. Last summer an American house got an order and delivered to the Canton Government a very considerable quantity of machine tools and arsenal plant generally, as well as aeroplanes. This last week a contract valued at 8,000,000 dollars (Peking), say, at the present exchange 1,000,360, for arsenal plant and machine tools has been signed with the Peking Government by the representative of a Danish engineering group for General Chang Si Lin. In each case a British firm had the contracts offered them, but could do no business as the Foreign Office does not permit British firms to entertain business of this description, writes a correspondent in Engineering.

If the same law applied to all, no one could have any objection to the Foreign Office ruling, but the matter surely is worthy of the attention of British engineering manufacturers where, as in the present case, and as in the same case before the war, British firms alone in all China are penalised by treaties entered into by the powers to control their nationals, and adhered to in fact only by the British Government to the immense advantage of German, Japanese, American and other firms, and to our great disadvantage.

Foreign Office policy has a far greater bearing on British trade than the majority of people at home give consideration to. In Hongkong especially, the situation regarding our overseas trade is becoming acute, as the Hongkong Government refuses to recognise the Southern Government of China, with a result that American and German manufacturers' representatives, who apparently are bound by no such trade disabilities politically inflicted upon them as our nationals, are taking away, and, indeed, have taken away, a very considerable portion of our engineering trade; first, by reason that we are not permitted to sell any goods that might conceivably be used in the manufacture of arms, and secondly, by reason of the abolition of extraterritorial right in respect to the Germans which permits German nationals to trade freely anywhere in China. The law refusing German rights of domicile in Hongkong is probably the most futile and ill-considered ordinance yet devised to protect our trade, as before the war German merchant houses were far greater distributors of British goods than the British merchant house were, and the same is true to-day.

Once let the Chinese and Germans in Canton and Kiangtung generally, open up the port of Whampoa for foreign trading vessels and Hongkong will find itself cut off from its main hinterland and degenerate into merely a calling station for liners. All interested in the sale of engineering goods might well consider and devise means for their narrowed market, and only by taking an intelligent interest in certain aspects of foreign politics can this be done to any great extent.—A correspondent in Engineering.

Stalls are already beginning to make their appearance for the Chinese New Year fair. This year the fair will be confined to the streets to the west of the Central Fire Station. No stalls will be allowed in that portion of Queen's Road Central between the Fire station and the Central Market which has in former years been the centre of attraction.

These are the fellows we want to get hold of. We want to see to it that we all bring somebody else along."

THANKS.

To the hard work put in by the committee, particularly Mr. Ollerton, the hon. Secretary, Mr. James, the hon. treasurer, and Commissioner Gunner A. B. Way M.B.E. of the "Tamar" the success of the function was largely due.

The Committee desire to thank the following for generous contributions: Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co. (cigars) Hongkong; Cigar Store (cigarettes); Messrs. Caldwell MacGregor (wine); Messrs. A. B. Watson (minerals); British-American Tobacco Company (cigarettes); Colonial Commercial Company (mixed drinks); Messrs. H. Hutcheon and Son (mixed drinks); City Hall Committee (loaf of hall); Messrs. Bang Lee and Co. (exception of stage and decorations); Alexandra Café (and others); F.W.D. (loaf of flag); Hongkong Hotel Company (boys, sailors, cigars, glasses, and wines, etc.).

MAJOR CASSIL AND HIS MOTORCAR.

ACTION BY UNITED MOTOR COMPANY.

Major L. Cassil and his Napier motor car were the subject of legal proceedings in the Summary Court this morning before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz). He figured as the defendant in an action brought by the United Motor Company for the recovery of \$228.45 said to be due for storage, rent, work done and goods supplied. There was a counterclaim for \$560.20 which set out that by careless workmanship the plaintiffs had damaged the car.

Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master appeared to support the Company's claim and Mr. E. G. Vaux, instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist to oppose it.

The claim was admitted and, as the question then at issue was merely on the counterclaim, the defendant's case was heard first.

Mr. Vaux explained that the Company had in its garage two cars belonging to Major Cassil. One was a Chandler and the other a Napier car and it was in regard to the latter that the dispute existed. The Napier had a tank at the back from which petrol was conveyed by air pressure to the engine in front. Last June the car was running beautifully except that something was wrong with the petrol supply. Major Cassil's story was that he handed the car over to the company with definite instructions to repair the petrol pressure but on no account to take down the carburettor. Evidence would show that Mr. Rome, the company's manager, who gave his personal attention to the job took down the carburettor and in disassembling certain parts neglected to use proper skill and care. It was alleged that he used implements that were not fitted to the work and that he damaged one part by taking a hammer and cold chisel to it.

The car was twice returned to Major Cassil with an assurance that the air leak had been located and that the car was in working order but on neither occasion did this prove to be the case. After it had been handed back to him the second time Major Cassil found it practically impossible to keep the pressure going without using an auxiliary hand pump to do what should have been done mechanically. The car was taken away then and handed over to Messrs. J. B. Reeves and Company and their bills for repairing it were included in the counter claim. This car, Mr. Vaux said, was a "show" car in England and had cost a very great deal of money. Its market value had been materially depreciated by the damage done to it by the defendants.

The evidence in support of the counter claim, including the testimony of Major Cassil taken on commission, had now concluded when the case was adjourned to to-morrow morning.

CHINESE NEW YEAR.

BEFORE IT COMES IT COSTS SOME PEOPLE DEAR.

As Chinese New Year comes nearer so does the usual robbery epidemic increase.

First on the police list this morning was the theft of \$231 stolen from Mr. Hodgkin's room at the Kingsclere Hotel on Saturday night.

Next came the loss of a watch and chain (with medals attached) £40 and \$300 ready money stolen from the quarters of Mr. A. Mair, Kowloon Dock.

Jewellery is no place to keep jewellery valued at \$150, clothing at \$131 and money \$240; a Yamati woman found to her sorrow on Saturday night when four men, two of whom were armed with revolvers, forced an entry and stole the lot.

Still bigger loss was suffered by a Samshepo pawnbroker whose account was held up in the shop the same evening by three men who helped themselves to 397 pieces of jewellery valued at \$3,290 and cash amounting to \$154.

Another gang, armed with revolvers and daggers, did profitable business on Pingshan Island on Friday night, collecting from three shops whose inmates they terrorized \$50, \$3,180, and \$353, respectively.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

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MONDAY, 30th JANUARY.

TEA AND DINNER DANCING will be held on MONDAY, 30th January.

SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

POSITION UNALTERED.

UNION OFFICIALS IN TROUBLE.

Since the employers retracted their offer and the men retreated to their original position, not the faintest glimmer of a settlement has shown up on the horizon of the seamen's strike. Borrowing from the meteorologist's vocabulary, one might sum up the position to-day as "cloudy and overcast, with no sign of change but possible extension of storm area northwards." "Freshening winds" have been reported in the shape of one or two police court cases arising out of visits paid by Union officials to incoming ships.

At Union headquarters there was "no particular news" to hand out to-day but officials spoke confidently of the extension of the dispute to Shanghai, Swatow and Amoy. No definite confirmation of this was forthcoming but it was ascertained that the "Empress of Russia," which was said to be one of ten vessels hung up at Shanghai, has left that port for Manila, being actually in touch by wireless with Hongkong. The effect of the food shortage is gradually being felt in Hongkong. Fish and eggs are difficult to obtain now and fruit and vegetables are becoming scarcer.

TWO MONTHS' "HARD."

FOR SEAMEN'S DELEGATE.

Jail, two months of it, with hard labour, was handed out by the Marine Magistrate (Commander B. C. Webb) to an official of the Seamen's Union named Cheung Tze Chai who appeared before him this morning to answer a charge of having been unlawfully aboard the s.s. "Kwangtung" without the permission of the officer in charge.

Evidence was given by the second officer of the ship, Mr. F. Booth, to the effect that at about 11 o'clock on Saturday morning his ship was lying at anchor off the central fairway when four Union delegates, including the defendant, came aboard without permission. The defendant came to see him and witness ordered them all to leave the ship. The defendant refused to go and stayed on after his companions had left. Witness put up the police flag and the defendant who was down amongst the crew was arrested. After that the crew left the ship.

Mr. Hind who appeared for the defence asked the witness: "Do you think this man actually did go and speak to the crew?"

Witness: "I am perfectly certain as I saw him talking to them."

Mr. Hind: "Did you give the defendant leave to wait and see the master as he had a letter addressed to the master?"

Witness: "I gave him no permission. I gave him definite instructions to leave the ship at once which he refused to obey."

The defendant said that he went on board with a letter from the Union to the master. He found the second officer there and when he gave him the letter he told him to wait for the master. He went aboard alone and was not told to go ashore.

After hearing further evidence by Mr. Booth, the Magistrate found that the defendant was on board without permission and had refused to leave the ship when ordered to do so.

SHIP'S OFFICER ASSAULTED.

UNION OFFICIAL FINED.

"GOING" AND "BEING."

Magistrate Wood heard evidence this morning in the case in which Chan Cheuk Hing, an official of the Chinese Seamen's Union, was summoned for having assaulted Mr. L. J. Fugler, Chief Officer of the B. & S. s.s. "Ningpo," and for having gone on board the steamer without permission. Mr. D. J. Lewis appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. W. B. Hind, defended.

Mr. Lewis said that the "Ningpo" arrived in port on Thursday and went to Wanchai to unload a cargo of coal. The crew appeared to be quite satisfied and worked all day and half of the following day without any trouble. About a quarter to one on Friday a steam launch came along side with about a dozen men on board carrying banners. They all boarded the vessel. The Chief Officer intercepted them and ordered them off. Apparently they all went, but about half an hour later, the defendant was seen coming from the crew's quarters. He asked to see the master. The Chief Officer said that the master was ashore and that he was in charge. Defendant produced a card representing himself to be a Union delegate. The Chief Officer told him to leave the ship. The defendant walked towards the gangway, but

refused to go away. The Chief Officer told him a second time whereupon defendant struck him on the chest and then rushed forward and returned to the crew's quarters. The Chief Officer hoisted the police flag. A Sergeant came on board and took the defendant into custody.

The Chief Officer, Mr. L. J. Fugler, corroborated Mr. Lewis' statement. He said that after all the Union men, as he thought at the time, had left the ship, the defendant came from the fore-castle. The witness was standing on the after deck on the port side, near the gangway. When he saw the defendant's card he ordered him off the ship. The defendant continued to stand so he repeated the order. The defendant said that he would not go until all the seamen, firemen and stewards went with him. Defendant was standing with his back to the gangway, and the witness stood in front of him to prevent him from going back to the crew's quarters. When he told the defendant to leave the ship a third time, the latter struck him on the left shoulder, and pushing past him, went to the fore-castle. The witness did not attempt to stop him but went to the bridge and hoisted the police flag. After defendant's arrest the Chinese crew left the ship. The boatman, No. 1 fireman and steward came to him and told him that they had to leave although they did not wish to.

Mr. Hind objected to this and the Magistrate allowed the objection.

Replying to Mr. Hind, the witness said that the defendant did not show him a letter. He did not have guards on board armed with revolvers, but four Indian watchmen from Messrs. Butterfield and Swire with sticks. One stood at the top of the gangway and saw what happened. The witness was not aware that there were any detectives on board. He could not say if the defendant was one of the men who came up from the Union launch. He did not see him go to the fore-castle.

Mr. Hind: He was the only man to board the ship from the launch?—No about a dozen came.

There might have been another launch?—No, there was only one launch alongside.

Sergeant Dick, who gave evidence of arrest, said that defendant showed him a letter addressed to the Captain. The defendant gave him no trouble. Replying to Mr. Hind, the witness said that defendant did not tell him the Chief Officer had refused to take the letter.

Mr. Lewis said that this closed the case for the prosecution. The Indian watchman had been told to attend, but was not present. He was attached to the police force, and was probably on duty.

Defendant admitted having been on board the "Ningpo" soon after noon on Friday. They had a Union banner on board their launch. There was a number of members on board, but he was the only man who boarded the ship. He had a letter and a card. When he saw the Chief Officer, the latter told him that the Captain was ashore, so he gave him both the letter and card. The Chief Officer took them and went away, asking the witness to wait by the gangway. After the witness had waited about 20 minutes, a police launch came alongside. Two plainclothes men came on board. One stood beside him while the other went to see the Chief Officer. Presently they came on deck together, and the police took witness in custody. He denied having assaulted the Chief Officer, or having at any time been in the fore-castle. The Chief Officer did not order him to leave the ship.

Replying to Mr. Lewis, the defendant said that some of the crew came to the gangway and spoke to him during the Chief Officer's absence.

Two witnesses said that they were on the launch. They saw the defendant on the top of the gangway speaking to the Chief Officer who presently walked away. The defendant never moved from his place until the police came. If there had been any assault they would have seen it.

The Magistrate said that in order to save time, he might tell Mr. Hind that on the assault charge, he was satisfied that the Chief Officer's statement was substantially correct; and he could not believe the witnesses for the defence.

Mr. Hind submitted that it was not a violent assault. If the defendant had pushed the Chief Officer, it was not with any felonious intent. He was aware when he boarded the ship that there were armed guards on board and one Chinese detective and one constable. In the circumstances, he would have been very imprudent to show violence.

With regard to the charge of being on board without permission, the Magistrate gave no opinion, and Mr. Hind submitted that the gangway was down, inviting all comers to come on board. The defendant had business on board. He had a letter to deliver to the Captain.

CRIME IN A CASTLE.

UNCLE CHARGED WITH DEATH OF HEIRESS.

Not for many a year has a crime caused so profound a sensation in Germany as the mysterious tragedy enacted in the lonely castle of Kleppelsdorf, in Slavica, last February. An attempt to unravel the mystery will be made when the trial of Peter Grupen, charged with the murder of Dorothea Rohmbeck, a beautiful girl of 16 to whom the castle belonged, and her cousin, Ursula Schade, a child of 12, begins before the court of Hirschberg.

On February 14, Frau Eckhard, the grandmother of Dorothea, Ursula, and her younger sister Irman, were staying at the castle, and so was Peter Grupen, Dorothea's uncle by marriage. They were all together in a room before luncheon, and with them was Dorothea's governess and her housekeeper. Suddenly the girl Ursula took her cousin out of the room, and 20 minutes later when luncheon was announced they had not returned. A maid was sent to call them.

She returned with the news that she had found the two children dead in a lower room with blood flowing from their wounds. A revolver lay at Ursula's side, and it was supposed that she had shot her cousin and then herself.

Shortly afterwards suspicion fell on Peter Grupen. The grandmother of the children, Frau Eckhard, appeared to have been entirely under his influence and it was argued that as the castles and enormous wealth passed to her after the death of her grandchild, Grupen hoped to benefit. He has consistently maintained that he is innocent.

Mr. Lewis: He must have permission to board the ship.

Mr. Hind: In that case anyone who went on board a ship to see a friend off would be liable.

The Magistrate: What happens if he did not leave when told to do so, or when the going is sounded?

Mr. Hind: He is then liable to prosecution as a stowaway.

Mr. Lewis: My garden gate might be open, but that does not mean that any one can go in and roam about.

Mr. Hind: He had business.

Mr. Lewis: Unlawful business.

Mr. Hind: He went on board to see the Captain.

The Magistrate: And he was not stopped by the watchman at the top of the gangway.

Mr. Hind: Exactly. I was going to mention that.

The Magistrate: Have you got the section before you Mr. Hind?—No.

After referring to the section handed down by the Magistrate, Mr. Hind said that the whole revolved on the word "going" on board and not "being."

If a person could not "go" on board to obtain permission to "be" on board, he could never go on board at all, and any person who boards the Canton steamer without a passage, intending to get on board, would be liable to a prosecution.

After further argument, Mr. Hind asked for a remand in order to look up authorities on "going."

The Magistrate gave a remand until Wednesday afternoon, but said that he would record a conviction on the charge of assault.

Addressing the defendant, the Magistrate said: I find that you did push the Chief Officer on his own ship, and that is an act. I fine you \$25 on that charge. On the other you will be remanded in order to clear certain points in law.

SENSATION!

"CAIRO" CREW CALLED.

Last night, just as the performance in the "World" Theatre was beginning, a voice that sounded like the voice of authority roared out from the back that all members of the "Cairo" crew were to return aboard at once. Some of the blue-jackets in the audience rose and left. The others, belonging to other ships, presumably, sat tight and enjoyed a good show.



SCHOOL PRIZES.

THE KAILAP VERNACULAR SCHOOL.

The Kailap Vernacular School, Wanchai, which is the largest of the schools maintained by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, held its 2nd annual prize distribution on Saturday afternoon. There was a large attendance of pupils with their parents and friends. His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni distributed the prizes. Among those present were Rev. Fathers Banchio and Sit, Messrs. F. H. Barnes, Chan Wing Chun, H. Dixon, W. G. Fitz-Gibbon, Li Yat Choi, Pan Kan, San, J. J. Remedios, Tam Kwok Choi, Tin Fung, and Yuen Li Pak.

Mr. Li Yat-choi, the manager of the school, read the following report: Your Lordship Rev. Fathers and gentlemen: In the name of the Working Committee and on behalf of the pupils of this school, I beg to tender our heart-felt thanks to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul which has undertaken the entire financial

responsibilities of the school. The School started the last school year with 100 boys on the roll as against 78 at the beginning of 1920. It was opened for 234 days, and there was a daily average attendance of 81. In 1920 the higher and lower schools were registered as two separate schools, but at the request of the Inspector of Vernacular schools they were, after the summer holidays, amalgamated with Mr. Wu Hung as headmaster and Mr. Lok Pak To as assistant. The school is divided into five classes and monthly examinations were held in all classes with good results. In Class A Master Pang Che On won the Alves scholarship, presented by Chevalier J. M. Alves. In Class B Master Ng Wai Yuen was the winner of the Dixon scholarship, presented by Mr. H. Dixon, and in Class C Master Ng Yik Kwai secured the Tan Kai Po scholarship, presented by Mr. Tan Kai Po.

On Empire Day, a tea was given in the school premises to over 100 boys. These boys were from the three Vernacular schools: the St. Vincent de Paul Society's School at Mongkok, the To Ying School of the Chinese St. Joseph's Society, and the Kailap School. The object of this social function was to bring the pupils together so that they may have an opportunity to get acquainted and associate with one another. The expenses of this function were kindly subscribed by many friends of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, to whom we tender our grateful thanks.

A class in English, twice a week, was again taken up this year and found most useful and was much appreciated by the boys. This class was introduced with a view to giving the boys some knowledge of English before they leave this school for other schools to study this important subject. In addition to the usual secular subjects taught, special attention has been paid to the teaching of Bible History and Catechism to all classes. There are many non-Christian pupils, but those also follow the teaching with keen interest and attention.

In conclusion, we beg to thank your Lordship, the Rev. Fathers and gentlemen for your presence and for the prizes so generously presented by Chevalier J. M. Alves (the Alves scholarship), Mr. H. Dixon (the Dixon scholarship), Mr. Tan Kai Po (the Tan Kai Po scholarship), and Messrs. F. H. Barnes, Chos Po Sien, W. G. Fitz-Gibbon, L. A. Barton, Li Yat Choi, H. Rozario, T. M. Perpetuo, J. J. Remedios, J. M. S. Rosario, J. D. Osmund and P. H. Dillon.

The boys then sang several songs, which were very well rendered indeed. After this they were addressed by His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni, who congratulated the teachers and the pupils on the excellent result of the year's work and exhorted them to endeavour to do even better during the coming year. It was mentioned that the school had been very well reported on by the Inspector of Vernacular Schools and had been awarded a grant by the Government.

His Lordship then presented the prizes, after which the proceedings closed.

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on January 10, Mrs. Richmond performing the ceremony.

The Headmaster, Mr. Duncan Cam bell, in his report stated that a tennance during the year was very satisfactory, no fewer than 73 Perfect Attendance Scholarships having been won in the English School. Ten students in the Chinese School who were never absent during the year, were awarded special prizes. Sir Ellis Kadoorie had given a Scholarship which will be competed for next year. The Headmaster thanked the following gentlemen for subscribing to the Prize Fund: Messrs. Pun Heung-yan, Pun Pui Yu, Chow Hin-sang, Pan Chak-lung, Wong Mei-san, Lo Sou-shan, Lo Chung-kut, Kong Siu-cheun. It was mentioned that the following scholarships had been awarded:

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Hongkong, January 23, 1922.

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Hongkong, January 23, 1922.

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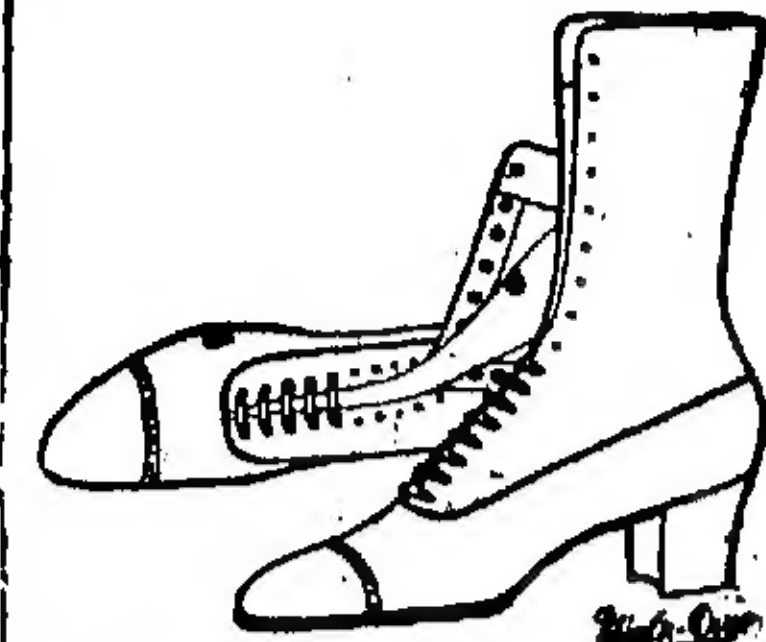
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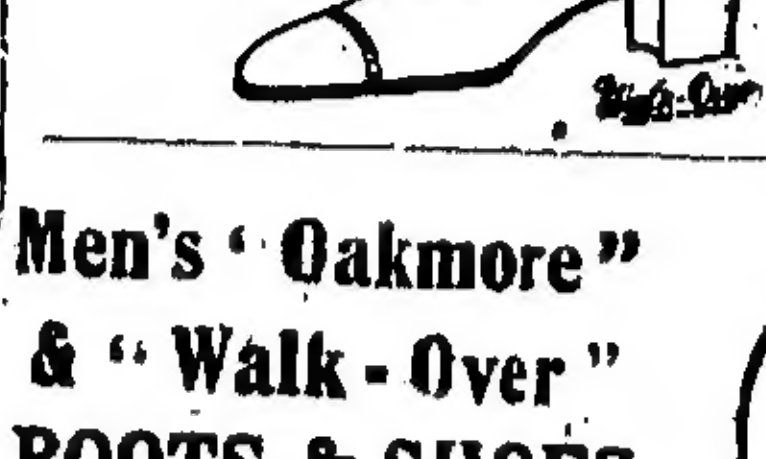
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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

VESSELS DUE

FROM SHANGHAI.	
Jan. 23.—B. F.	City of Durham.
Feb. 9.—B. F.	Koonmun.
Feb. 19.—B. F.	Sutton Hall.
Feb. 22.—P. & O.	Dunera.
Feb. 27.—B. F.	Agapenor.
Mar. 1.—B. F.	Ningchow.
Mar. 9.—B. F.	Alex.
Mar. 14.—P. & O.	Stella.
Mar. 14.—B. F.	Rabinga.
Apr. 10.—B. F.	Anchises.

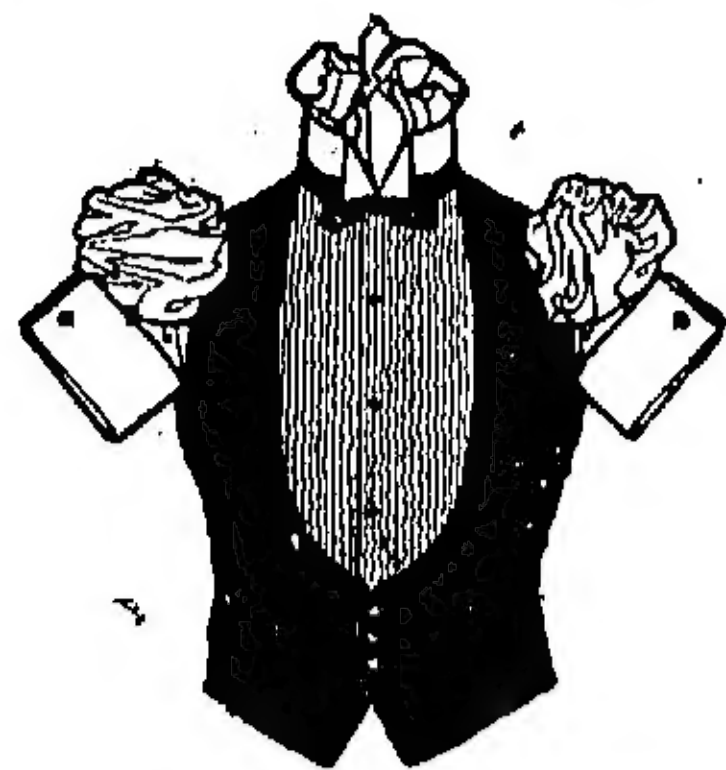
FROM JAPAN.	
Jan. 23.—O.P.S.	West Coyote.
Feb. 30.—B. F.	Cyclops.
Feb. 30.—J.P.L.	Saleter.
Mar. 30.—B. F.	Torilla.
Mar. 31.—B. F.	Tenoco.
Feb. 7.—B. F.	St. Albans.
Feb. 13.—B. F.	Japan.
Feb. 13.—B. F.	Calabas.
Feb. 14.—P. & O.	Elpenor.
Feb. 18.—B. F.	Nagoya.
Feb. 20.—B. F.	Janus.
Feb. 20.—B. F.	Pyrrhus.
Feb. 20.—P. & O.	Kashgar.
Mar. 4.—B. F.	Eastern.
Mar. 13.—P. & O.	Khiva.
Mar. 18.—B. F.	Glaucus.
Mar. 20.—B. F.	Mentor.
Mar. 23.—P. & O.	Deva.
Apr. 11.—P. & O.	Novara.
Apr. 24.—B. F.	Typhos.
May 9.—P. & O.	Ralyas.
May 23.—P. & O.	Plasy.
May 23.—P. & O.	Dongola.

FROM MANILA.	
Jan. 27.—B. F.	Procellana.
Feb. 17.—B. F.	Ixon.
Mar. 10.—B. F.	Talhybia.
Mar. 21.—B. F.	Tyndareus.
Apr. 26.—B. F.	Procellana.
May 16.—B. F.	Ixon.

FROM JAVA.	
Jan. 25.—J.C.J.L.	Tijbood.
Jan. 29.—J.C.J.L.	Tjimonok.
Jan. 29.—J.P.L.	Smaaler.
Jan. 31.—J.C.J.L.	Tjikini.

FROM CALCUTTA.	
Jan. 27.—B. F.	Janus.
Feb. 7.—B. F.	Tanda.

FROM BOMBAY.	
Jan. 31.—N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
31.—P. & O.	Jeypore.
Feb. 7.—P. & O.	Lahore.
12.—P. & O.	Dunera.
27.—P. & O.	Sicilia.
28.—P. & O.	Sicilia.

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SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

CLUB v. "CAIRO."

These two teams were very evenly matched, and a strenuous game resulted in a goalless draw. The "Cairo" opened the game and went down the field in fine combination. J. Rodger stopped them and sent out to England who centred to Cheshire. The latter returned. Forsyth got possession and went down on the wing. He sent in a drop shot which Begg just missed converting in front of goal. The Club continued to press until Stevenson cleared and the Sailors went away. Gerrard gave a corner, but although the ball was well placed, no score resulted. Raiton getting his head to the ball just in time and clearing. After a bit of midfield play, both ends were again visited in quick succession, but the defence in each case was equal to the situation. Half time arrived with the score sheet blank.

The second half was equally fast and exciting. Both sets of forwards played with determination and gave the defenders a lot of hard work, but the ball refused to go into the net. Hands against the Sailors very nearly resulted in a goal. The ball dodged about the goal mouth in a dangerous manner for a good bit, and then Begg sent it over the cross bar. Relieved, the Sailors went away. Stewart handled. The ball was got well in, and then the Club's defence had a very anxious time until Gerrard kicked to touch. It was altogether a very hard game, and the pace told on the players on both sides. They were an obviously tired lot when the whistle came with the score sheet still blank.

R.G.A. v. KOWLOON.

The Gunners fielded a strong team against Kowloon in their first division match and won by 5 goals to 2. Kowloon played ten men in the opening stages of the game. Pascoe set the Gunners going and they went down at a brisk pace. Wheeler just managed to clear. Pomfret received and sent Keay in. The latter dodged McKelvie and Oswick and getting close in gave Hayward no chance. Coupland sent Mason away from the centre. The latter made a fine individual run up the field and equalized with a swift shot at close range. When the Gunners returned Keay again got possession and sent in a dropping centre which Couzens converted with a first timer. Half time came with the Gunners one up.

Gourlay filled in the gap for Kowloon in the second half. Harris received from Donovan at the centre, and going down the field forced a corner. Donovan sent in a drop shot which Pomfret turned into the net. Kowloon went all out after this, and were once more successful in levelling things up. Coupland went through. Walker robbed him and back heeled to Phillips. The Kowloon centre ran in, and taking the ball away from Phillips, landed it into the net. The Gunners took the ball down and

Pomfret scored from a fine pass by Pascoe. Their fourth goal followed soon afterwards, and then the Kowloon defence seemed to go to pieces, and a little before time Allen added a fifth goal.

TAMAR v. AMBROSE.

Defeating the "Ambrose," three goals to nil on the Navy A ground, the "Tamar" now equal the Club with 17 points in the league. They also have a match in hand. Tamar led the field throughout, Wellington scoring all three goals. The "Ambrose" team included seven new men.

Teams:—"Tamar," Mitch; Smith and Samuelson; Grant, Hudson and Bryant; Hill, Ansel, Wellington, Burd and Brazendale.

"Ambrose."—White; Ball and Warham; Lanning, Lakey and Butler; Savage, Bolnivas, Gice, Boulter and Kirby.

Referee, Mr. Moore.

LIVERPOOLS v. "CURLEW."

Played on Sookumpoo ground, this match resulted in a goalless draw. Both sides played well, the defence in each instance providing itself equal to the occasion.

The teams:—
Liverpool:—Williams, Banks, Winne, Newton, Hodgson, Barlow; Burnett, Dangerfield, Jones, Hollands and Simmons.

"Curlew."—Bainwell; South and Cleaves; Dash, Wilson and Griffiths; Taylor, Dyer, Cook, Roberts and Lamb.

Referee, Mr. Williams.

LIVERPOOL RES. v. CLUB RES.

Fielding nine men on its home ground, the Club opened the score. Hydo securing the honour. After the interval, Crotty scored twice, giving the soldiers the winning goal.

ST. JOSEPH'S v. UNITED A.C.

Facing defeat by two goals, St. Joseph's rallied a few minutes before the final whistle when Santos scored the two goals necessary for a draw. Both United's two goals were scored in the second half, the one by Brown and the other by May.

CURLEW RES. v. UNIVERSITY.

Six goals to one the University went down to the sailors on the A. Ground. In the first half Riley and Anderson netted for the "Curlew," and Sanny for the University. In the second half Riley scored twice again and a University player had the misfortune to put the ball into his own goal.

R.G.A. v. SOUTH CHINA B.

Played at Sookumpoo, this match resulted in a win for the R.G.A. three goals to nil. Brennan scored once in the first half and Wilson twice in the second.

SOUTH CHINA A v. PUNJABIS.

The Chinese, playing on their own ground, scored four goals in the first

APE-FACED MAN.

LAST STEP IN EVOLVING
— THE HUMAN FRAME.

The prehistoric skull of the African ape man found recently in Broken Hill Mine, Rhodesia, which has been described by Professor G. Elliot Smith, Professor of Anatomy in the University of London, as that of "a most remarkable type of mankind quite new to science," was shown and discussed at a meeting of the Zoological Society at its rooms in Regent's Park on December 22.

The skull has been subjected to an exhaustive examination by Dr. Arthur Smith Woodward, Keeper of the Geological Department of the Natural History Museum, South Kensington, who now has charge of it. The following excerpts are from Dr. Smith Woodward's report, which appeared in *Nature*:

"The skull is in a remarkably fresh state of preservation, the bone having merely lost its animal matter and not having been in the least mineralized. It is strangely similar to the skull of the Neanderthal or Mousterian race [named after a valley in the Rhine provinces] found in the caves of Belgium, France, and Gibraltar. Its braincase is typically human, with a wall no thicker than that of the average European. . . . Its large and heavy face is even more similar in appearance than that of Neanderthal man. . . . The palate is of enormous size.

"It is, however, in all respects human. The teeth are much worn and those of the front of the jaw met their lower opposing teeth in the primitive way, edge to edge. The lower jaw is, unfortunately, absent, but it must have been massive. Even the Heidelberg jaw is slightly narrower and shorter than this must have been.

"Although the new skull from the Rhodesian cave so much resembles that of Neanderthal man, the shape of the braincase and the position of the foramen magnum [the opening in the skull through which the spinal cord passes] are so different that we may hesitate to refer the two skulls to the same race.

"We recognise in the Rhodesian cave man a new form which may be regarded as specifically distinct. The precise systematic position of this new species," sums up Dr. Smith Woodward, "can be determined only by further discoveries. It has, however, been pointed out by Prof. Elliot Smith that the refinement of the face was probably the last step in the evolution of the human frame. He may prove to be the next grade after Neanderthal in the ascending series."

half. The Punjabis replied with one goal in the second.

HONGKONG F.C. SHIELD
COMPETITION.

The draw for the 1st and 2nd rounds resulted as follows:

1st round to be played on or before January 28.

A. H.M.S. "Carlisle" v. Hongkong Club.

B. St. Joseph's v. H.M.S. "Hawkins."

C. Kowloon v. United A.C.

D. H.M.S. "Tamar" v. H.M.S. "Alacrity."

E. R.G.A. v. H.M.S. "Cairo."

F. H.M.S. "Durban" v. South China No. 2 team.

G. South China No. 1 team v. H.M.S. "Ambrose."

H. Hongkong Police a bye. 2nd round to be played on or before February 18th.

Winners of A. v. Winners of B.

Winners of C. v. Winners of D.

Winners of E. v. Winners of F.

Winners of G. v. Hongkong Police.

First named Club to provide ball and arrange for ground.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

SHANTUNG QUESTION.

WASHINGTON, January 20th. In the Senate, during the debate on the resolution presented by Mr. Walsh requesting Mr. Harding to supply information regarding the Shantung controversy, Mr. Underwood explained that the matter must be settled by the Sino-Japanese delegates. The Conference could not take up the question because seven of the Conference Powers were committed by the treaty of Versailles to the support of Japan. Mr. Underwood believed that a settlement was very near.

Mr. Lodge endorsed Mr. Underwood's view. Both admitted that the Shantung question had prolonged that Conference. Mr. Walsh, supporting the resolution, offered the opinion that the Senate might hesitate to accept the Quadruple Agreement if the Shantung problem was not solved.

Mr. Lodge hoped that the resolution would not be pressed, at least until the Conference adjourned.

Mr. Underwood said that any attempt to force a settlement would throw a money-wrench into the machinery of the Conference.

WASHINGTON, January 21st. The Far Eastern Committee has postponed taking action regarding the American proposal to publish all Chinese treaties, at the request of the Japanese who desired to refer the matter to Tokyo. The Committee passed a resolution expressing the Powers' hope that China would speedily reduce her large military forces as this was considered necessary before the financial rehabilitation of China was possible.

LATER. The Far Eastern Committee adopted Mr. Hughes' proposal to publish commitments in China after incorporating a score of amendments. One of these, at the request of the Japanese, eliminated the publication of engagements with private individuals to which their respective Governments were not party. The Japanese argued that a Government had no authority to compel its nationals to publish details of contracts made abroad. Under another amendment, proposed by Mr. Root and adopted by the Committee, the Powers agreed not to support a commitment or contract creating a sphere of influence in China, or any of a monopolistic character. It is reported that some earnest exchanges occurred at the committee table, but no details have been published.

IRELAND NORTH AND SOUTH.

LONDON, January 21st. There is a promising outcome to the personal consultation between Mr. Collins and Sir James Craig. They mutually agree that, instead of the boundary commission as outlined in the Treaty, North and South will each appoint a representative to report on future boundaries to Mr. Collins and Sir James Craig, who will reach a mutual agreement thereon. Mr. Collins undertakes to discontinue the Belfast boycott and Sir James Craig has promised to facilitate the return of Catholic workmen to shipyards. Both sides are to unite to facilitate the settlement of the railway strike and also to endeavour to devise a more suitable system than a Council for Ireland for dealing with All-Ireland problems.

INDIAN SITUATION.

DELHI, January 21st. The Council of State rejected by 23 votes to 10, a motion advocating a joint session of both Houses to determine the lines of holding a conference of all shades of political opinion and to consider the situation. The Government announced that it is considering measures to deal effectively with intimidation.

STARVING RUSSIA.

STOCKHOLM, January 21st. Ex-Premier Branting returned from the relief expedition to Samara and movingly appealed to the Swedish Government and people to help starving Russians who were not only reduced to eating corpses but were even compelled by the pangs of hunger to kill and devour fellow-victims.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL.

LONDON, January 21st. At Cardiff, in the Rugby International, Wales beat England by 28 points to 6. In the soccer Amateur International, England beat Wales by 7 goals to 0 at Swansea.

GERMANY PUBLIC COMPANIES.

BERLIN, January 21st. Official figures show that public companies in Germany last year increased their capital by over ninety milliard marks, which is more than the entire capital of Joint-Stock Companies in 1913.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

RAILWAY STRIKE IN SAXONY.

BERLIN, January 21st. A railway strike has been declared in Saxony.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY.

BERLIN, January 21st. The press reports the arrival of the Soviet plenipotentiaries charged to furnish the guarantees necessary for effective Russo-German collaboration.

AMERICA AND GERMANY.

WASHINGTON, January 21st. Mr. Hoover has written to the Merchants' Association saying that a commercial treaty with Germany was originally planned, but it was decided to hold it up for the time being as it was believed that the clauses in the political treaty with Germany would protect the interests of American business.

PERU'S DISPUTE WITH CHILE.

LIMA, January 20th. Peru has accepted the United States' invitation to send a representative to Washington to confer with Chile regarding the carrying out of the disputed clauses in the treaty of Ancon.

Chile has also accepted Mr. Harding's invitation to confer regarding the Ancon Treaty.

SOUTH AFRICAN STRIKE.

JOHANNESBURG, January 19th. In consequence of the miners' strike, no trains were run at midday and considerable inconvenience was caused through lack of power to business and industries. Ten thousand mine natives have already been repatriated. There are indications that a section of the dispute, concerning coal miners, is tending towards a settlement.

BOXING PROMOTER ARRESTED.

NEW YORK, January 21st. Tex Rickard, the promoter, *inter alia* of the Carpenter-Dempsey match, has been arrested, at the instance of the Children's Society, and charged with criminal assault. He was later released on a thousand dollars bail.

LATER. Rickard surrendered immediately he heard that a warrant had been issued. Hitherto he has declined to make a statement, but a Children's Society official explained that the charge concerned a girl of fifteen, who with two companions is at present kept in custody and charged with incontinency. Rickard answers to his bail on January 26th.

LIBERAL CONFERENCE.

LONDON, January 21st. Mr. Lloyd George, addressing the Coalition Liberal Conference at Westminster, emphasised that the urgent problem of to-day was the restoration of world trade to which the restoration of peace in Europe was essential. That could best be done by an International Conference. It was impossible to revert to the old diplomatic methods of exchanging letters and dispatches. What happened in France recently showed how warily they must tread among bristling national suspicions. He dwelt on the success of the Washington Conference, notably in restoring a good Anglo-American understanding on which the peace of the world largely depended. The impending conference at Geneva would be in many respects, the greatest ever held. Some contended that the League of Nations should be summoned to it, but the greatest objection to that was the fact that such an invitation would rule out the United States and Russia whose attendance was most desirable.

The nations of Europe without distinction have been invited to Geneva because it was necessary to end wars and rumours of wars fettering international business. Peace was impossible unless a real understanding was reached and was followed by considerable reductions in armaments. Britain was setting the example in reduction of her army, navy and air force. It was essential to reduce the burden on the taxpayer without impairing national security. He appealed to the nation to assist the Government in executing the recommendations of the Geddes Committee, whose report when published would involve very drastic and very ruthless cutting down, and would provoke criticism and resistance. He concluded by saying that the Coalition was a necessary foil to revolutionary enterprise aiming at the overthrow of individual enterprise and would maintain Britain as the one great stable country to which the world looked.

It is learned that Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Chamberlain have reached an agreement for continuing the present Coalition and concentrating on a policy of reduction of expenditure and taxation and attacking the Labour Party. It is considered that the likelihood of a collapse of the Coalition, with a speedy election, has been averted.

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LONGING FOR
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WIFE GIVES HER HUSBAND
TO ANOTHER WOMAN.

A passion to have a "cave man" as husband led Mrs. MacBride, a fiction writer, to file an action for divorce against her second husband, whom she "pressed" to her friend Lena Braune, known in her native Connecticut town as "Lena the Goddess."

To facilitate her husband's courting of Lena, whose father, Mrs. MacBride explained would not have Mr. MacBride in the house, she allows them to use her sitting-room in the evening while she sits in the kitchen.

"After my first husband turned out, like all business men, to be a mere coin-chaser," Mrs. MacBride relates, "I decided I must have a dynic. I wanted a man scorched, seared, and scarred by life, a living man who had broken hearts and fought in wars."

"So I married Mac, whom I thought to be a real mental mate. But I was disappointed. Mac is a sociologist and a great orator. Far, far into night I had to listen to such questions as 'What is the difference between concrete and abstract labour?' 'What is price?' 'What is a market?' It was intolerable cruelty."

"Now I know that what a woman really wants is a wonderful cave man, a vital, physical husband, who will hold her in his two strong arms and cover her with kisses."

COUNTESS IN JAIL.

NURSE'S TALE OF HER
MILLIONS.

The problem of how to live on nothing a year has been successfully solved for four years by Countess Chamere and her friend, Frau Prager, who were arrested by the Berlin police.

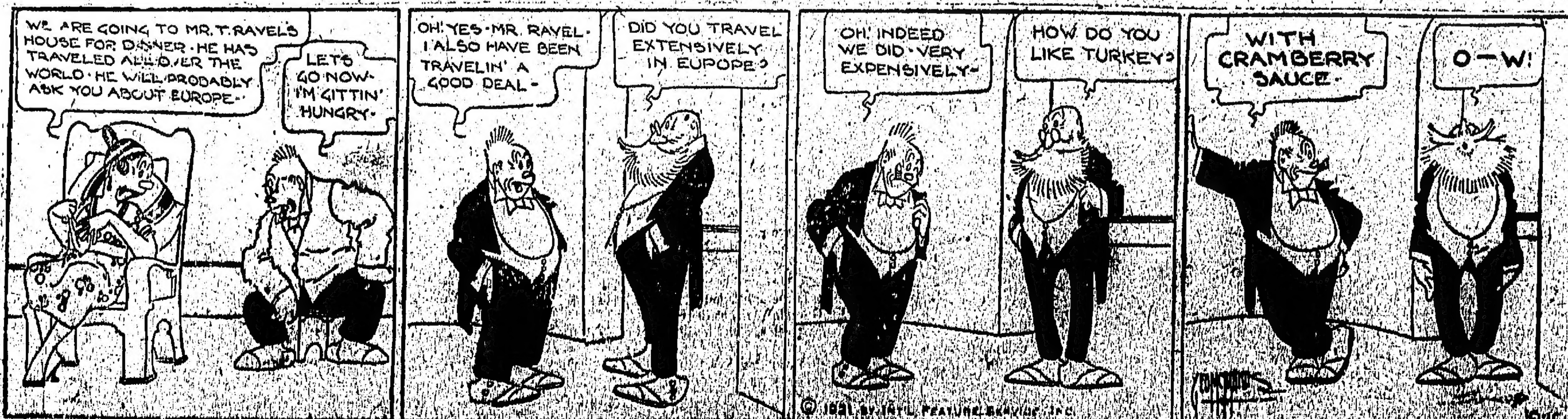
Four years ago the countess, then Fraulein Schneider, was a hospital nurse. She became friendly with a war profiteer and acquired a taste for a luxurious life. When the profiteer found the police on his track he vanished and the ex-nurse declared he was dead and had left her millions.

She met Frau Prager, who advised her to become a countess if she wanted to live on nothing a year. An impoverished count was found through a matrimonial agency. He married her for a consideration of 120,000 marks, which, however, the poor man never got.

The countess talked everywhere of her enormous wealth, while Frau Prager posed as an English duchess with six estates. They borrowed 30,000 marks from an actress, 20,000 from another woman for pocket money, and ran up bills everywhere, including an hotel bill for 70,000 marks.

They are now having a prolonged rest from the anxiety of contriving to live on nothing a year.

BRINGING UP FATHER.



EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the China Mail.]

DEATH OF THE POPE.

Rome, January 23d.
The sudden and unexpected news of the Pope's collapse caused a tremendous sensation among all classes. A feeling of hopefulness came during the day owing to the small proportion of fatalities at present from the influenza epidemic in Rome, and when pneumonia was suspected, but hope was dispelled by the subsequent grave bulletin. At 8.30 in the evening the Pope's voice was hoarse and feeble but the lucidity of his mind was unimpaired and his Holiness fully realised his condition. He personally handed his will to Cardinal Gasparri.

After receiving communion at 10 in the morning the Pope requested extreme unction which Cardinals Zampini and Tosi administered. The Pope's condition grew slowly worse and is now very grave. His mental faculties are declining and his speech is occasionally incoherent. His Holiness showed the deepest solicitude for the attending staff, repeatedly thanking the doctors and nurses. Physicist Francesco, who has been attending at the bedside for many hours, devoted to the Pope's constant appeals and retired to rest at three in the morning.

A physician who visited the Pope declared that he is passing peacefully away. He has begun to fail and his pulse is becoming intermittent. Cardinal Gasparri recited the prayers for the dying.

Rome, January 23d.
The Pope is dead.

LATIN.

As the result of restless moments the Pope rallied somewhat during the forenoon and talked to those at his bedside, but towards noon the weakness returned and his condition steadily grew worse. His breathing continued and his pulse became accelerated, compelling a hope that nothing could be done. By the bedside towards the end were Cardinals in purple cassocks and penitentiary platin bands kneeling in silent prayer. The Pope was only broken by sobs from these as the bedside, the low chant of penitents and the psalm and an occasional delirious word from the dying Pope. At the moment of death the Pope's face was pale, his eyes slowly underlaid, the stone of nervous energy vainly resting its pulse.

London, January 23d.

There is an immediate absence of confirmation of the Pope's death, the news which was received from several sources including Cardinal Bourne and was published in the evening Sunday papers. The bells of the Campanile in Westminster were tolled and Cardinal Bourne prepared to depart for Rome. Since then there has been no further news from Rome beyond the bulletin issued at 1.30 which showed that the end was near and the heart respiration weakening, a further report that the news of the death is premature, to which support is lent by a statement by the Papal Secretary, Paris, doubting the accuracy of the original news.

London, January 23d.

Apparently the Pope's attendants must have been told of his death and informed the waiting cardinals. Thus the news was prematurely dashed throughout the world. The Pope is making a desperate battle for life and is being nursed in a comfortable way by his attendants. The Pope converses with the prelates and nurses. For example, when he was informed that the cardinals were praying for his recovery, the Pope pointed out "I would willingly offer my life for peace." He then quietly went back to his bedside.

He is weak, but at night he rallied and actually sat up and received an aching punishment uncomplainingly. The Italian Major Domus to whom he is due to service in the chapel adjoining the sick room, which he then quietly went back to his bedside.

Physician Chaboud declared that not without the Pope's condition is hopeless, he must be longer for a little while unless a miracle, which was feared.

Amidst the thronging St. Peter's Square and the approaches to the Vatican, the Pope's death is being kept a secret for the benefit of the Pope's health.

Rome, January 23d.

The Pope died at six in the morning on Sunday.

The Pope's final collapse occurred at three in the morning when he experienced great distress, his breathing becoming laboured and his strength quickly ebbing.

The Pope's death occurred at 5.30 a.m. when Cardinal Vico arrived at the Vatican to celebrate mass in the chapel adjoining the sick room. After mass Cardinal Vico administered absolution, after which the Pope expired at six a.m. (local time). The Pope was present at the funeral of Cardinal Gasparri, Vice, (Grand and Grand and Count Perico, the Pope's nephew).

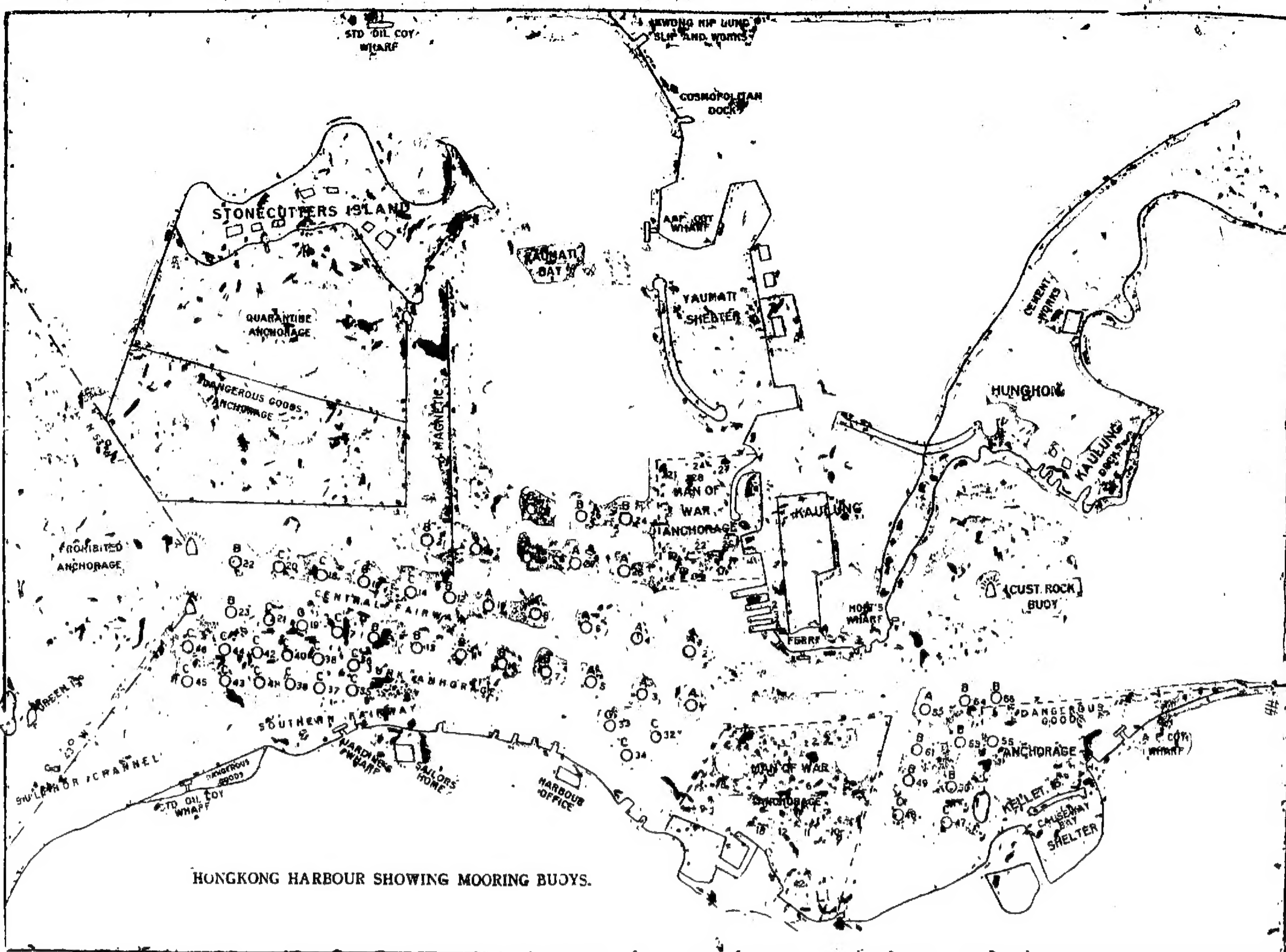
His Holiness Benedict XV. was elected on September 3rd, 1914, when he was 66 years of age. A Genoese della Chiesa, who was of noble birth, was ordained at the age of 24, and became secretary to the Papal Embassy in Spain in 1887. Subsequently he became secretary to Cardinal Beaumont. He was consecrated Bishop in 1900, made Archbishop of Bologna in 1907, and Cardinal in May, 1914. His election as Pope was all the more remarkable as he was the youngest Cardinal Priest in the Sacred Order. [E.]

PRINCE'S TOUR.

The Prince of Wales, on his second two days' tour of the Krumpur. On Sunday he visited a great Khediv or wild animal show. The herd was steadily increased by a stockade built across a road and then run. When finally a herd of wild ones, to enable them to be captured. The plunging effort of the animals to break clear resulted in a number of elephants, for although the herd was small, it was much larger than the African prototype. It was a rough struggle for liberty. The Prince watched the drive with keen interest. The jungle hereabouts is rich with tigers, lions and other big game and the Royal party had some good sport. The Prince returns to Mysore on Monday and will leave the same evening for Hyderabad.

BIG FIRE NEAR BERLIN.

Hamburg, January 23d.
A destructive fire, almost completely destroyed a residential locality at Hamburg, near the city. It is stated that eight hundred workers were injured. The damage is estimated at between 40 and 50 million marks.



SPORT.

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

LEAGUE MATCHES.

Only four league cricket matches were played on Saturday, and they were all in connection with the second division. The winning teams, I.R.C., R.A.M.C., Police and University, all scored decisive victories in their respective matches.

I.R.C. 2ND v. C.S.C.C. 2ND.

This match was played on the Civil Service ground. The Indians batted first, scoring a total of 138 for five wickets at which they declared. Their bowling was too formidable for the Civil Service, whom they dismissed for the low score of 41, and won comfortably.

Scores:			
I.R.C. 2ND XI.			
E. Ali Moosdeen, run out	4		
O. Ramjahn, not out	46		
N. B. Kitchell, b Cowan	21		
S. Abbas, b Cowan	52		
E. Moosdeen, c and b Sandford	5		
Y. A. Wabub, b Cowan	2		
Extras	8		
Total (Five wks. dec.)	138		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
R. Taylor	8	1	24
E. Dunkley	9	1	27
W. Cowan	11.2	1	26
Spillet	4	1	23
W. Hill	4	0	24
Sandford	1	0	6

C.S.C.C. 2ND XI.			
H. Sandford, c Nazarin, b Kitchell	4		
R. Taylor, c G. Ramjahn, b H.D. Ramjahn	2		
E. Dunkley, c H. D. Ramjahn, b Kitchell	4		
E. Haynes, H. D. Ramjahn	0		
G. Brookbank, b H. D. Ramjahn	3		
E. B. Spillet, b Kitchell	0		
W. Thornton, c A. H. Madar, b Kitchell	0		
W. Cowan, c A. H. Madar, b H.D. Ramjahn	3		
R. Taylor, not out	9		
B. Tachhi, c N. B. Kitchell, b H. D. Ramjahn	11		
Extras	5		
Total	41		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
H. D. Ramjahn	7	1	5
N. B. Kitchell	6	0	4

R.A.M.C. v. K.C.C. 2ND.

The Medicos visited Kowloon's 2nd string on Saturday and in an exciting game won the nick of time by 34 runs. The home team were all got out for the low score of 35. The Medicos opened well, but Hollands could not get a partner to stay long

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
H. D. Ramjahn	7	1	5
N. B. Kitchell	6	0	4

with him, and the result was in doubt to the end. They had not reached Kowloon's score when nine wickets had gone down, but the last two men proved equal to the situation and took the total to 129.

KOWLOON.			
L. J. Blackburn, c Tomory, b Rhodes	24		
F. E. Lawrence, run out	7		
A. O. Brawn, b Rhodes	0		
H. Overy, run out	17		
F. Evelyn, run out	12		
R. E. Lindell, c Barnes, b Savage	4		
E. F. Spinks, c and b Savage	2		
N. L. Raiton, b Hollands	9		
C. Russell, b Savage	0		
W. B. Haslett, not out	10		
L. Jack, c Tomory, b Savage	1		
Extras	9		
Total	95		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Hollands	14	0	41
Rhodes	7	0	36
Savage	6.1	0	9

I.A.M.C.			
Sgt. Hollands, st. Evelyn, b Overy	41		
Cpl. Rhodes, b Brawn	7		
Capt. Tomory, b Russell	0		
Major Tomlinson, b Spinks	17		
Cpl. Savage, c Lawrence, b Spinks	9		
Pte. Osborne, b Overy	5		
Cpl. Stone, c Raiton, b Spinks	1		
Pte. West, c Blackburn, b Russell	1		
Pte. Barnes, c Russell, b Spinks	6		
Sgt. Rodgers, c Spinks, b Lawrence	23		
Sgt. Wilkinson, not out	10		
Extras	9		
Total	129		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Brawn	5	0	24
Russell	8	0	33
Haslett	3	0	12
Overy	6	1	21
Spinks	8	2	29
Lawrence	2	0	1

POLICE v. C.R.C. 2ND.

Playing at home on Saturday, the Police inflicted a crushing defeat on the Chinese second string, winning by 111 runs. Batting first the Chinese could do no better than 39. Alexander and R. Barnshaw were the first to bat for the Police and they scored before their partnership was broken. The others were moderate and were got out fairly easily. The innings closed for 160.

Scores:			
C.R.C.			
Chan Wing Cheung, st. Booker, c Alexander	3		
Wong Sik Lo, c Ellwood, b Gibb	7		
Hong Sik Chang, b Gibb	0		
Lai Kuen, c Booker	4		
Alexander	7		
Yew Man Hon, c Fordue, b Alexander	0		
Cheng Wing Kin, b Gibb	0		
Wong To Keung, c King, b Gibb	6		
Leung Kim Cheung, c and b Alexander	0		
Extras	0		
Total	39		

Ghan Shoung Wing not out	7		
Chan Yung, b Gibb	4		
Extras	0		
Total	39		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Alexander	10	2	22
Gibb	9.3	2	17

FRIENDLY MATCHES.			
H.K.C.C. v. CRAIGENGOWER.			
This match was played on Craigen-gower ground on Saturday. The visitors looked like sustaining a heavy defeat when they lost Blaker to the first ball off Omar, and Lammet followed up by dismissing Mitchell with his first ball. Only 73 runs showed when seven wickets had gone down, and then Farthing and McNeill stopped the rot and took the total to 138. The innings closed for 139. Craigen-gower experienced difficulty in getting runs, and were dismissed for 97, Lammet only reaching 20.			

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Blaker	11	0	62
Ng Sze-kwong	10	0	58
Lee	10	0	73

H.K.C.C.			
C. Blaker, b Omar	0		
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Marsh, b Lammet	1		
J. D. Humphreys, c Abbas, b Lammet	21		
B. D. C. Morgan, b Lammet	3		
Major H. M. Edwards, c Abbas, b Omar	19		
H. E. Hollands, b Lammet	14		
Major Wright, b Lammet	2		
R. G. Lammet, run out	39		
F. H. Farthing, c Hall, b Lammet	23		
L. D. McNeill, not out	5		
F. N. Young, b Omar	8		
Extras	8		
Total	139		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Omar	15.5	0	56
Lammet	10	4	37
Abbas	6	0	32
Major	2	0	6

CRAIGENGOWER.			
S. Jex, b Farthing	9		
B. W. Bradbury, b Lammet	11		
L. E. Lammet, c Blaker, b Lammet	12		
U. M. Omar, c Blaker, b Lammet	20		
J. P. Wilton, c Lammet, b Farthing	4		
Y. Abbas, c Mitchell, b Lammet	17		
A. A. Katsyad, b Edwards	0		
W. Marsh, run out	0		
F. W. Major, c and b Edwards	1		
W. Hall, not out	7		
P. A. Dixon, c Wilton, b Lammet	3		
Extras	14		
Total	97		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Davies	21	10	25
Baker	20	4	60
Graham	4	0	32
Downing	4	0	23

B.A.A.			
Capt. Oliver, c Vickers, b Hoalim	5		
Leah Chester, b Yeoh	15		
Bdr. Baker, c and b Hoalim	1		
Major Baginall, b Yeoh	0		
Capt. Davies, b Hoalim	14		
A. Graham, c and b Hoalim	17		
Gar. Skrosta, c and b Hoalim	0		
Mr. Parker, b Hoalim	0		
Major Downing, b Yeoh	0		
Mr. Kates, b Yeoh	0		
Extras	0		
Total	52		

Sgt. Stevens, not out	7		
Extras	6		
Total	77		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Yosh	10	1	39
Hoalim	9	1	31
Rumjahn	1	0	31

K.C.C. v. C.R.C.			
Kowloon scored a decisive victory in this friendly match by six wickets and 82 runs. Batting first, they declared at 209 for five wickets. MacDonald and Braga played well and contributed 76 and 63 respectively. The Chinese lost the first two batsmen for 5. Ng Sze Kwong made a stand and scored 65. The others were not particularly brilliant and the whole side was dismissed for 127.			

Scores:			
KOWLOON.			
E. L. Braga, b Ching	63		
F. G. Thompson, b Ng Sze-kwong	2		
Lt. A. MacDonald, b Ching	76		
Capt. Spinks, c Lee, b Ching	15		
C. I. Stapleton, not out	15		
T. Cochrane, b Lee	22		
Extras	16		
Total (5 wks. dec.)	209		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Ng Sze-kwong	11	0	62
Lee	10	0	58
Ching	10	0	73

C.R.C.			
C. Choa, b MacDonald	4		
G. Hall, b Stalker	1		
Ng Sze-kwong, c Thompson, b Stalker	65		
G. Lee, b Stalker	11		
J. Wong, c Thompson, b Stalker	10		
W. Gitting, c and b Stalker	27		
H. C. Hunt, run out	5		
H. Ching, b James	5		
N. J. Kow, c Spinks, b Stalker	0		
Chan Man-woon, not out	0		
Extras	3		
Total	127		

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Macdonald	9	1	22
Stalker	15	4	37
Spinks	6	0	27
Cochrane	4	0	21
James	4.3	0	17

GOLF.			
LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.			
The Ladies' Golf Championship was decided at Fanling yesterday. Mrs. Winslow defeated Mrs. Fitzroy Williams by 8 up and 7 to play. Mrs. Crawford, the captain, afterwards handed the Cup and a small souvenir cup to the winner and a silver photograph frame to the runner-up. Mr. T. W. Hill umpired the match.			

SHANGHAI'S FAREWELL MATCH.			
As a farewell to the Shanghai Interceptors, a match was arranged yesterday between the visitors and a selected Hongkong team. A very interesting game was played, resulting in a win for Shanghai by 6-4. There was a large crowd at Fanling, and all spent a very enjoyable sporting day.			

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Farthing	0	1	28
Lammet	2	0	30
Young	0	1	11
Edwards	0	0	9

CORRESPONDENCE.

STRIKE CANARD.

"EMPEROR OF RUSSIA" NOT HELD UP.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Dear Sir,—With reference to the various reports being circulated and appearing in the newspapers—evidently emanating from the Chinese Seamen's Union—that the "Empress of Russia" has been held up in Shanghai, I shall be glad if you will have this contradicted at once.

The "Empress of Russia" arrived at Shanghai at 5.30 p.m. on Saturday the 21st instant, and, after discharging her Shanghai cargo, sailed for Manila and Hongkong at 2.30 p.m. yesterday.

The strike position has already been fully explained to the Chinese Head of Departments and Chinese Crew on board the "Empress of Russia," and they have unanimously stated that they have no grievance of any kind against the officers, ship or Company, and they desire to remain with the Company, nor have they made any demand for increase of pay.

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly insert a paragraph in the columns of your

YING WAH COLLEGE.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

CHURCH AND SCHOOL.

The annual distribution of prizes of the Ying Wah College took place in the Hall of the Y.M.C.A., on Saturday afternoon. H.E. the Governor presented the prizes to the successful students, and amongst the large gathering present were the Rev. Dr. T.W. Pearce, the Hon. Mr. E.A. Irving, (Director of Education), Dr. N. Teeddale Mackintosh, Mr. E. Ralphs (Inspector of Schools), Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wood, Mr. T.M. Hazlerigg and Mr. Eric Rice.

The National Anthem was played as His Excellency entered the Hall, and then followed some interesting remarks on the history of the College by Dr. Pearce.

The headmaster, Mr. Arnold Hughes, then read the report as follows:

HEADMASTER'S REPORT.

Mr. A. Hughes, the Headmaster, then read his annual report as follows:

To my mind one of the most outstanding features in the development of this school during the past year, the 8th of its existence, has been the clearer definition of the relationship of the school to the Chinese Church upon which from the very start full responsibility was laid for its support and management. At the time when the school was first promoted a Committee of fifteen gentlemen was appointed by the To Tsai Church Council for the management of the school. Soon this Committee was found to be too large for the purpose of a close control of the school's administration, and a smaller Executive of six members was appointed, which met at frequent intervals. The members of this executive patiently and locally maintained the school through a period of five years, in which problems of exceptional difficulty had to be faced.

During that period the larger Committee seldom met, and in fact, it may almost be said to have dropped out of existence, for questions of large issue, which the Executive Committee felt itself unable to deal with, were referred to the Church Council.

The need for the larger Committee as an intervening link between the Executive Committee and the Church Council was, however, still felt, and at the end of 1920 a new arrangement was devised, which I believe will prove satisfactory as a permanent basis for this school, and possibly may be a model for other churches in China which decide to found schools of this type. Under this new arrangement the Church Council will be asked at the beginning of each year to select a Committee of fifteen members to take charge of all educational work which the church undertakes and from this educational Committee at its first meeting each year, the smaller executive committee for the management of this school. It is true that during the past year the Education Committee only met once, and so some of its members may complain their only work is the election of the Ying Wah College Executive Committee, but, last year being the first year, this system had not yet got into working order and I am sure that in this New Year the Executive Committee will see to it that the Education Committee, from which they are appointed, have opportunities to meet and discuss the future policy of the school as well as the more important practical steps to be taken for the realization of the policy. It is, also, always possible that in the future other schools besides the Ying Wah College, will be started by, or placed under the control of the Church, and in that case it is value to the church as a central board of control for all the educational work of the church will be increasingly manifest.

COMMITTEE'S LOYAL WORK.

As headmaster, I am ex-officio a member of the school Executive Committee, and I should like to take this opportunity of placing on record my sincere appreciation of the loyal way in which the members of this Committee have worked during the past year. There has been a good attendance at all of its meetings, and as a consequence the members are gaining an inside knowledge of the working of the school which enables them to exercise a more effective control over its administration. Special mention should, I feel, be made of our Treasurer, Dr. Au Sz Chan, who undertook this arduous post at the beginning of last year, and so relieved Reverend Mr. Wells of a burden which he had manfully borne for several years.

On this occasion, when for the first time Your Excellency has honoured us by your presence at one of our school functions, I feel that it has not been out of place to lay special stress on the fact that this school is under the control of a Chinese Church, and not of a Missionary Society, and should therefore be called

a Church school rather than a Missionary school. The London Missionary Society has rendered considerable aid during these initial years, both financially and in other ways, and, but for that assistance perhaps the school would never have been started and carried on, but the main responsibility for the support and control of the school has always rested with the Chinese Church; and it will be a very great encouragement to the Directors and supporters of the London Missionary Society to know that the To Tsai Church in Hongkong is slowly, but patiently, bringing to a successful issue the task which it undertook. One may even venture to hope that the example of this church will be an inspiration to other Chinese elsewhere to make themselves responsible for educational work now being maintained by Missionary Societies, and in this way the time may be hastened when missionaries from foreign lands will no longer be needed in China for the spread of the Gospel since the Chinese churches will be strong enough to undertake this work without their aid.

FINANCIAL BENEFITS.

On the financial side, this school has, during the past year, reaped a very great benefit from the increased grants which Your Excellency saw fit to make just a year ago on behalf of education in this Colony. It has been relieved from the financial embarrassment which hampered its work in former years, and it has been able to end the year just closed in a far healthier financial position than ever before. Not only will there be a virtual balance of more than a thousand dollars on the current expenditure of the year, but a reserve fund nearly \$9,000 consisting chiefly of subscriptions from our Chinese supporters, has been placed on fixed deposit, so as to be available to meet the extra expenses which will be incurred during the period of the headmaster's furlough in England. It is fully realised by the Committee of this school that land in hand with an increased grant goes a demand for increased efficiency. During this past year there has been an increased expenditure on both staff and equipment, and I anticipate that in the coming year this will be necessary to a yet greater extent. At least one more master from England should be engaged, and indeed the Board of the London Missionary Society was requested by the Committee of this school, over two years ago, to find a suitable man for this post, but unfortunately, owing to the great shortage of teachers it has been unable to fulfil the request. We hope that before another year has passed this long look-out for new master will have arrived and begun his work.

Last summer word was received from the Secretary of the Association of the British Chambers of Commerce in China, concerning the endeavour which the Chambers of Commerce are making to organise a fund to help secondary schools in China which are educating Chinese on British lines and in response to his request detailed information was sent as to the work and financial position of this school, and we have since heard that at the Conference of the Chambers of Commerce held in Shanghai last November, definite steps were taken for the raising and distribution of a fund for the assistance of British secondary schools in China. Should help from this source be forthcoming in the coming year, then two masters from England instead of one, should be engaged.

Turning to the internal administration of this school during the past year, I would briefly call attention to some of the more important developments and changes.

I am sorry to report that the number of students in the school has decreased during this past year. In 1921, the maximum enrolment has been 159 as compared with 190 in 1920, and the average attendance has been 141 as compared with 160 in 1920. I consider that the falling off in numbers was to some extent due to the changes which we found it necessary to make in common with other schools, in the time for making class-promotions. This change was necessitated by the change which the University decided to make in the time for holding the Junior Local examination, since the promotions in class 2 have always been made on the results obtained in this examination. No Junior Local Examination was held last July as in former years, and I regret to say that a great many of the boys who entered Class 2 in September, 1920, were unwilling to stay in their class for the extra half year, and in several cases endeavoured, with the assistance of private tutors, to prepare themselves for the Senior Local or Matriculation Examination in November last. None of those who attempted to do so have passed, and I know that several of them are now very sorry that they did not stay on in the school and take the Junior Local Examination last November, in which they would almost certainly have received a successful result.

In the same way many students in the other classes who ordinarily would have stayed on in this school, left us during this year, because they did not like to stay for a year-and-a-half in the same class, and were able in the entrance examinations at other schools to gain admission to a higher class. I am glad that some of these, too, have realised their mistake, and wished to come back to this school afterwards. I would venture to suggest that some further steps should be taken by the Educational Authorities of this Colony, to prevent boys, as far as possible, from wandering from school to school. It is obvious that this practice is not only spoiling the education of the boys who are allowed by their parents and guardians to follow it, but also making it exceedingly difficult for the schools of this Colony to give a sound education at all.

In order to improve the standard and quality of education throughout all the schools of this Colony, I can think of no measure which is so necessary as a preliminary step to this end, as the adoption of some stringent regulations by the Educational Authorities for the purpose of deterring boys from leaving a school which they have once entered without an adequate reason. I feel sure that the Authorities of the various schools would gladly co-operate with the Educational Department in the drawing up of such regulations, and use every endeavour afterwards to see that they were enforced.

EXAMINATIONS.

The results obtained during the past year in the University Examinations cannot be considered very satisfactory. Out of eight boys in Class I who entered for the Matriculation or Senior Local Examination, 2 have passed the Matriculation and 2 the Senior Local; and in Class II out of 13 candidates presented for the Junior Local Examination (2) have passed. In both classes the standard was lower than in former years, but as already explained many boys who entered class 2 in September, 1920, did not stay with us to take the Junior Local Examination, and in both classes there were some boys who were endeavouring to take the Examination six months before the time, at which in ordinary circumstances they would have taken it. In one respect, however, there is an advance on previous years, both the students who passed the Matriculation Examination have entered the University, and as in residence at Morrison Hall. Ho Nai Kau, who passed last July, obtained a Government Scholarship of \$300 per annum for four years to assist him in his training as a teacher, on condition that after he has completed his University training, he shall return to this school to teach for at least two years. Under these conditions Mr. Mok Koo Sang also kindly consented to nominate him for one of the Donor's scholarships of which he is the awarder.

Wong Man Kwong, who passed the Matriculation last November, has entered the Commercial Department of the Arts Course. Of other graduates of this school it is interesting to note that two, Au King and Au Wai Pan, have entered the Ontario Christian College and are taking the Peking Union Medical College, and one other. But Chit, has obtained a post as a clerk in the Government service. We hope that all these students will do well, and as one of them expressed it in a recent letter to me, they will do their best to uphold the honour of their Old School.

STAFF.

There have been a good many changes in the staff during the past year. On the retirement of Mr. Fok Na Hang, Mr. Lo Kait Jia, B.Sc., joined the staff as the senior Mathematical Master and just recently has been appointed second master. Mrs. E. M. Wilson who stayed with us for a year-and-a-half and did excellent work as a teacher of English in the middle and lower classes, was compelled to resign last spring on account of health, and her place, which, for a time, was taken by Mrs. Herbert Wilson has now been filled by Mrs. Ho Shiu Lau, a certificated teacher of America. In April last, Mr. Ng Yn Shang joined the staff as the senior Vernacular teacher, and I have been very pleased to note that under his instruction a greater interest is being taken by the boys of the senior classes in their Chinese studies. Mr. Cheung Yu Kwong, who came to us in March, has been doing good service as a teacher in the lower classes, while in the middle classes Mr. Leung Nai Hong's place was taken last Autumn by Mr. Chang Yung Kwai. Another important addition to our staff has been Mr. Yung Wai Po, as the school bursar. This appointment has relieved me of a great deal of detail work, which it was increasingly clear that the headmaster could not attend to, as the numbers in the school grew, and during the year, thanks to our bursar's efforts, there has been a very great improvement in the ordered working of the school, resulting in a great saving of time especially at the

beginning and end of term. To all members of the staff I am greatly indebted for the loyal way in which they have co-operated with me in seeking to raise the school to a higher standard of efficiency.

INSPECTION.

The school was inspected on December 20 by Mr. Ralphs, who, in his report which I have just recently received, says the following: "Building.—The College is still housed in the building known as Craigleachie in Bonham Road. It will be necessary to consider, in the near future, the provision of more suitable premises."

Equipment.—Fair.

Attendance.—On roll 153. Present at Inspection 146.

Staff.—Adequate, according to Code requirements.

Organization of Classes.—There are eight classes. The average ages of pupils in Classes 3 to 8 are based upon the age given by each pupil calculated according to the Chinese method. In future the date of birth of each pupil should be correctly entered in the School Admission Register.

Discipline.—Very Good.

General.—The written work was generally very good; the exercise books examined were neatly written and carefully kept and show that steady progress is being made. In the Junior Classes Composition is based on Conversation Lessons with successful results. Arithmetic is very satisfactory throughout. Drawing is taught in the four lower classes, a modification of the modern system being adopted. Satisfactory progress is being made; some good colour work was shown in Class 5. Throughout the school the weak subject is reading. In Class 3 reading was disappointing, phrasing and pronunciation being alike defective. This class is now in charge of an English Master, so that improvement may be expected during the coming year. In Classes 4, 7 and 8 while the pupils read with care they have apparently not been well taught, since their pronunciation is poor and the errors common among Chinese are much in evidence. In Class 5 the pronunciation is better and in Class 6 it is very good. In conversation, although pronunciation is defective as in reading, the pupils show considerable intelligence and are quite willing to talk.

I would like to take this opportunity of assuring the Educational Authorities of this Colony that immediate attention shall be paid to the criticisms and suggestion for improvement contained in this report, and I trust that before this present year is closed the weak points revealed in this report will have been rectified.

HOSTEL.

During the greater part of the year the Hostel has been well filled. In the first term there were 28 boarders, and in the second term 25. Dr. Mitchell kindly inspected the Hostel last April and in his certificate stated that the general health of the boarders was good and the sanitary conditions of the buildings excellent.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES.

On the Athletic side of the school which I consider to be a factor of the greatest importance for the securing of an all-round education, there is not much to record save that the usual games have been played and the school represented in the inter-school leagues and competitions. Although no distinctions have been won by the school in this sphere, yet I am glad to say that a far greater interest has been taken in the school sports, especially during the last half year. At the beginning of the Autumn term all the players were divided into two groups, named the Red and the Green, and frequent matches were played between these groups, both in the Senior and Junior divisions, thus giving an opportunity for many students to participate in the organised games, and also providing constant practice for the boys who were chosen to play in the school teams. Wong Chor Woon, the President of the school games Club deserves special mention for the way in which he has devoted himself to the organisation and supervision of the group games. The Annual Athletic Sports were held early in May on the Racecourse ground. And during the summer months bathing parties were held regularly on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at which many boys learnt to swim.

The school playground through constant use has been stripped bare of all the grass that once grew there, and during the dry season is covered with a thick layer of dust which causes great discomfort to the players. As soon as possible a cement surface should be laid down on the playground, and I hope that friends will be found to help the school in providing the necessary funds for this purpose.

On October 10 the students organised, with an even greater success than in former years, a celebration of the Anniversary of the Chinese Republic. In the evening of that

MARKET PRODUCE IN HONGKONG.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

	Jan. 19, 1922.	June 1918.	June 1914.
Beef Sirloln.—Mol Lung Pa ... lb.	12	24	18
" Prime Cut	22	24	12
" Corned.—Ham Ngau Yuk ...	22	23	20
" Roast.—Shiu	22	24	22
" Breast.—Ngau Nam	20	20	18
" Soup.—Tong Yuk	18	24	18
" Steak.—Ngau Yuk Pa	22	24	22
" Steak Sirloln.—Ngau Lau ...	30	30	35
" Sausages.—Ngau Cheung ...	25	28	20
Ballock's Brains.—Ngau No per set	10	12	10
Tongue, fresh.—Ngau La each 60	60	60	60
Tongue, corned.—Ham Ngau La each 60	60	60	60
Head.—Ngau Lau	1.00	1.20	1.00
" Heart.—Ngau Sam	14	13	14
" Hump, Salt.—Ngau Kin ...	30	20	18
" Feet.—Ngau Keuk	10	10	12
" Kidneys.—Ngau Yiu	10	10	12
"—Ngau Mai	20	20	22
" Liver.—Ngau Kon	14	13	14
" Tripe (dressed).—Ngau To lb. 8	6	6	7
Two-keuk set \$1.20	1.00	1.00	1.00
Mutton Chop.—Young Fat Kwai lb.	40	26	26
" Leg.—Young Fat Kwai ...	40	26	26
" Shoulder.—Young Shau ...	36	24	24
" Saddle.—Young On Yuk ...	42	18	—
Pig's Chitterlings.—Chu Cheung	25	25	27
" Brains.—Chu No per set	2	9	12
" Feet.—Chu Cheung	12	20	15
" Fry.—Chu Cheung	25	15	18
" Head.—Chu Cheung	20	20	20
" Heart.—Chu Cheung	15	10	10
" Kidneys.—Chu Cheung	10	10	8
" Liver.—Chu Cheung	38	30	24
Pork Chop.—Chu Fat Kwai ...	30	26	23
" Leg.—Chu Fat Kwai	30	26	27
" Loin.—Chu Fat Kwai	24	20	—
" Fat or Lard.—Chu Fat Kwai ...	20	21	—
Sheep's Head and Feet.—Young Fat Kwai ...	75	60	70
" Heart.—Young Fat Kwai ...	14	8	7
" Kidneys.—Young Fat Kwai ...	10	12	10
" Liver.—Young Fat Kwai ...	14	26	25
" Mutton.—Shang Young Fat Kwai ...	40	26	24
" Year.—Ngau Tsi Yuk	21	20	19
Sausages.—Ngau Tsi Cheung	25	20	20
No. 1 lb. 28	—	—	—

Fish.

Barbel.—Ka Yu lb.	45	19	24
Bream.—Pin Yu	28	13	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish ...	22	16	16
Carp.—Li Yu	25	15	27
Crabs.—Chih Yu	20	16	9
Crabs.—Mau Yu	24	20	25
Crabs.—Hau Yu	35	25	26
Crabs.—Shui Yu	15	15	2
Dab.—Sha Mau Yu	45	23	15
Dace.—Wong Mai Lap	10	10	9
Dog Fish.—Tsi To Sha	9	10	8
Eels.—Congor.—Hoi Mau ...	22	16	16
" Fresh water.—Tam Shui Yu ...	24	20	18
" Yellow.—Wong Shui Yu ...	28	26	30
Frogs.—Tin Kail	55	32	25
Grouper.—Shak Pan	65	40	30
Gudgeon.—Pak Kap Yu	22	18	15
Herring.—Tso Pak Yu	24	21	18
Hilbit.—Cheung Kwau Kap ...	16	18	23
Labrus.—Wong Fa Yu	24	22	24
Loach.—Wu Yu	44	22	24
Loaches.—Lung Ha	45	22	21
Mackerel.—Chih Yu	24	20	28
Milk Fish.—Mong Yu	32	32	28
Mullet.—Tsi Yu	20	18	2
Oyster.—Shang Ho Yu	20	18	22
Parrot Fish.—Kai Hong Yu ...	21	14	9
Perch.—Tao Lo	20	20	11
Pike.—Fa Pan Fong Yu	13	16	9
Ploice.—Pan Yu	23	28	14
Pomfret, Black.—Hak Cheung ...	45	28	29
Pomfret, White, Pak Cheung ...	40	36	30
Prawns.—Ming I	42	36	45
Say.—Fai Pa Sha Yu	9	10	14
Seak Fish.—Shak Kau Kang ...	12	13	18
Seak.—Chun Yu	21	22	16
Salmon.—Ma Yu	40	30	31
Shark.—Sha Yu	10	8	10
Shrimp.—Po Yu	15	10	15
Shrimps.—Ha Yu	32	28	30
Snapper.—Lap Yu	45	32	30
Sole.—Tsi Yu	32	23	28
Tench.—Wau Yu	22	22	18
Turbot.—Tso Hau Yu	20	18	22
Turtles, small fresh water ...	1.00	40	60

Poultry.

	Jan. 19, 1922.	June 1918.	June 1914.
Chickens.—Kai Tsa lb.	50	30	31
Capon, Small.—Sin Kai	48	28	30
Capon, Large.—Sin Kai	52	28	30
Duck.—Ap	34	22	22
Doves.—Pan Kan	—	—	—
Eggs, Hen.—Kai Tan (sitting) per doz	22	18	—
Eggs, Hen.—Kai Tan (fresh) ...	—	25	20
Fowls, Canton.—Kai lb.	54	38	24
Fowls, Hainan.—Hoi Nam Kai ...	40	28	—
Geese.—Ngo	30	24	24
Pigeons, Canton.—Pak Kap ...	45	80	—
" Hothow.—Hoi Hau Pak Kap	—	—	—
Turkeys, Cook.—Fo Kai Kang lb.	76	60	60
Turkeys, Hen.—Fo Kai Na ...	65	52	45
Salps.—Sha Tsui	—	22	—
Phoenix.—Shan Kai	1.10	—	—
Quail.—Om Chun	25	—	20
Partridges.—Chs Ka	70	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds.—Hang Yan lb.	65	35	30
Apples, (California).—Kam Shan	—	—	—
" Ping Ko	25	24	20
Bananas, (birds), Macao.—San	—	—	—
" Heung Chit	5	4	4
Cassambole.—Yung To	—	12	—
Cocoanuts.—Ye Te	16	10	10
Lemons, China.—Ling Mung ...	8	7	10
Lemons, (America).—Kam Shan	—	—	—
" Ling Mung	8	8	8
Lichees, Dried, (small stone).—	—	—	—
" Lai Chi Kon lb. 30	25	30	—
Oranges, (Ontario), Sweet ...	10	—	10
" Shan-sheng Tim Chang lb. 8	—	—	—
Oranges, Tim Chang	16	—	15
Pears, (Canton), Cooking.—Sin Li	12	18	—
Peanuts.—Fa Shang	12	10	12
Persimmons, Large.—Hung Tso ...	12	—	—
Plantain.—Tai Chit	3	3	4
Pomegranate.—Tsim Lo Yan ...	12	12	6
Walnuts.—Hop To	10	14	15
Grapes.—Po Tai Tsi	25	25	—

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes.—Ah Chi Cheuk	8	—	8
Beans, Sprout.—Nga Tso lb	4	4	7
" Long.—Tao Kok	—	8	—
Beet Root.—Hung Tso Tsi	2 each	3	6
Bitter Squash.—Fu Kwa	5	—	—
Brussels, Green.—Hing Yau Kwa ...	4	6	9
" Red.—Hung Kwa	5	5	8
Cabbage Chinese, (common).—	—	—	—
" Kai Tsoi	4	6	12
" (Shanghai).—Ye Tsoi	10	12	—
Cauli shoots, bunch.—Kam Shan ...	8	—	9
Cauliflower (Large).—Ye Tsoi each 12	—	—	—
(Medium).—	10	—	—
(Small).—	9	—	—
Carrots.—Kam Shan lb.	6	6	6
Celery Chinese.—Tong Kam Tsi ...	8	10	8
Chilies, Dried.—Kao Lai Chit ...	20	25	25
" Red.—Hong Fa Chit	20	10	16
" Green.—Ching Lai Chit ...	12	8	12
Curry Root, English.—Kai Li Chit	10	10	10
Cucumbers.—Ching Kwa	2	—	—
Garlic.—Sun Tsi lb.	8	6	—
Ginger young.—Sup Tso Keung ...	6	7	—
Ginger, old.—Lo Keung	5	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai.—Lik Kun ...	27	45	—
Indian Corn.—Shak Mai	6	6	4
Lettuce.—Yung Shing Tsoi lb.	5	1	—
Water Chestnuts.—Ma Tai lb.	6	6	6
" Mandarin.—Kwai	—	—	—
" Lam Ma Tai	9	10	6
Mushrooms, Fresh.—Shang Tso Ku lb.	—	2	—
Oxeyes	10	10	10
Onions, Bombay.—Yung Cheung Tsi lb.	10	8	6
Onions, Green.—Shang Chung lb.	5	4	6
Onions, Shanghai.—Sheng-ching	—	—	—
" Chung Tsi	—	6	—
Parasly.—Kun Tsoi	20	60	8
Potato, Sweet.—Yau Shu lb.	4	2	—
" Japanese.—Fai Pun Shu Tsi lb.	4	3	—
" American.—Fai Ki Shu Tsi lb.	—	8	10
Pumpkin.—Tung Kwa lb.	4	3	4
Radish.—Hing Lo Pak Tsi	5	6	—
Rhubarb (Fresh).—Tsi Wong	—	—	—
Shallots.—Kong Shing Tsi	4	8	8
Splachet.—Yin Tsoi	5	4	—
Tomatoes.—Fan Ke	6	7	7
Taro, or Wu Tsi	5	6	6
Turnips, Pato, (Long).—Lo Pak ...	4	4	4
Vegetable Marrow.—Tait Kwa ...	—	—	—
Water Cress.—Sai Yung Tsoi ...	6	10	10
" Lily root.—Lin Ngau	5	6	5
Yams, Ta Shu	4	6	8

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 31.
Straits Kaga Maru
Straits Mayebashi Maru

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For P.M. Times
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United States, Central and South
America & EUROPE via VIO-
TORIA, R.C. Registration 9.45 a.m. Let-
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Wenatchee
MONDAY, JANUARY 30.
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date of the sailing of the s.s. "China" via
had to be cancelled. The next sailing will
depend upon the time that the men
will return to their duties.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" is expect-
ed to leave Singapore for Hongkong on
Jan. 25.

The O.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
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21 (6.30 p.m.) left there Jan. 23 (2.30
p.m.) and is due at Manila on Jan. 26
(6 a.m.).

The s.s. "Thosens" (Blue Funnel
Line) left Singapore on Jan. 19 for
Hongkong and is due here on Jan. 23
at daylight.

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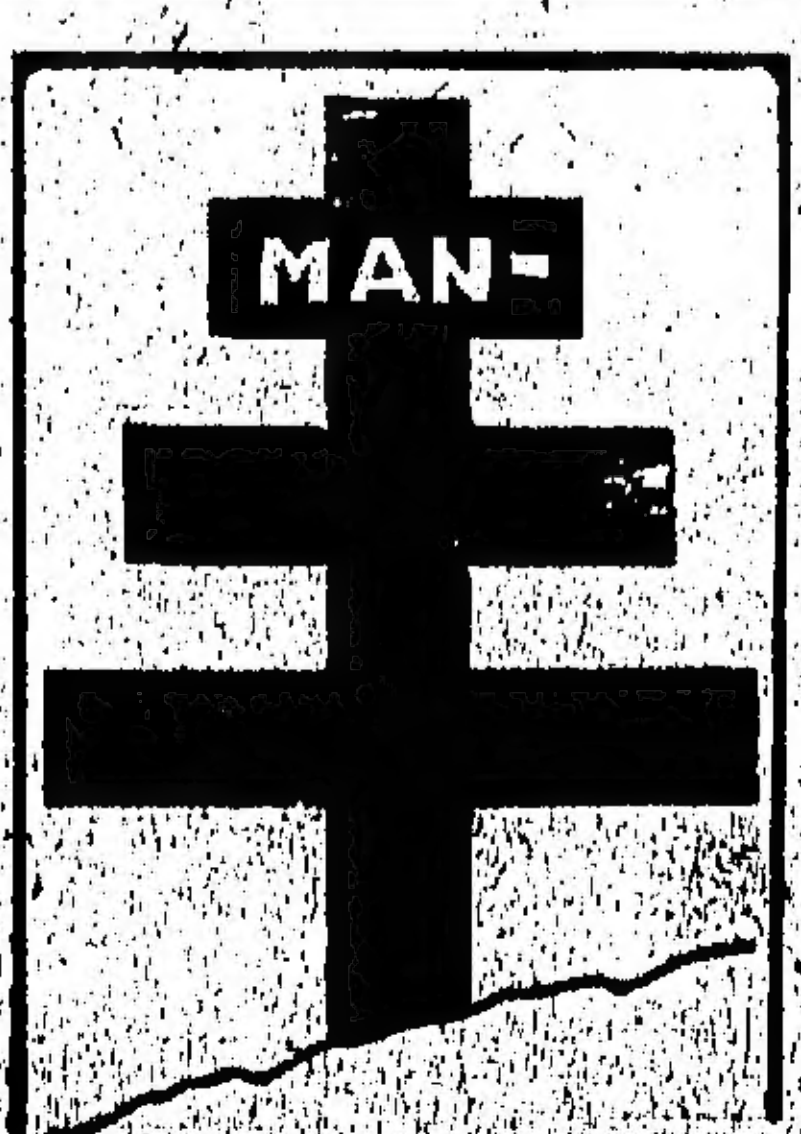
The O.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
Russia" arrived at Yokohama on Jan.
17 (8.30 a.m.) left there on Jan. 17
(4 p.m.) and is due at Hongkong on Jan.
27 (10 a.m.).

This P. & O. s.s. "Jayapura" left Bom-
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expected here on Jan. 31.

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here on Jan. 31.

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in the Imperial Palace of Tokyo, and
the Japanese national beverage,
"sake," whose flavour is an enigma
— all these things savouring of the
elusive mystery of the Orient, were
tasted in a perfect Eastern setting in
a London house.

It was at a little party given by
the Japanese poet Gonnoske Komai,
when, at his beautiful house in
Harcourt-terrace, South Kensington,
the portrait of the Japanese Crown
Prince painted recently by Mr.
Augustus John in a single sitting
lasting 50 minutes was exhibited
before its despatch to Tokyo.

Cloaked in his ceremonial kimono
of black silk which bears his family
crest, Gonnoske Komai, surrounded
by his friends, sat cross-legged and
smiling on a gorgeously coloured
cushion.